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### NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

September 17, 2010

Adrienne Cicio, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant  
4310 Cannon Ridge Ct., Unit P  
Fairfax, VA 22033

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
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Re: Virginia License No.: 0001-165306  
Suspended: July 15, 2008

Dear Ms. Cicio:

This is official notification that an informal conference will be held pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021, and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), **on October 12, 2010, at 10:30 a.m.** at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233. You may be represented by an attorney at the conference. This informal conference will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3700 *et seq.* of the Code.

The Special Conference Committee ("Committee"), which is comprised of at least two members of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board"), will receive and act upon your application for the reinstatement of your license privilege to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which was suspended by an Order of the Board entered July 15, 2008, and will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws and regulations governing professional nursing practice in Virginia.

Specifically:

1. You may have violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that you may be unsafe to practice professional nursing due to substance abuse and mental illness, as you acknowledged in your reinstatement application and Recovery Monitoring Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program.
2. You may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (4) and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing as evidenced by the following:

a. On or about October 14, 2007, you called a pharmacy in Centreville, Virginia, and falsely identified yourself as a physician assistant that had previously treated you. You obtained 60 dosage units of Vicodin (hydrocodone/acetaminophen, Schedule III) by using the physician assistant's name and DEA number.

b. On or about October 14, 2007, you called a pharmacy in Oakton, Virginia, and falsely identified yourself as a licensed nurse practitioner for whom you were not a patient. You obtained 100 dosage units of Vicodin by using the nurse practitioner's name and DEA number.

c. As a result of the conduct above, on or about July 28, 2009, you were convicted of one count of misdemeanor obtaining or attempting to obtain a controlled drug by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, embezzlement, or subterfuge in the Fairfax County, Virginia, Circuit Court.

The burden of providing evidence satisfactory to the Board that you are prepared to resume the competent practice of professional nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients rests with you.

After the informal conference, the Committee is authorized by § 54.1-2400(10) of the Code to take any of the following actions:

- The Committee may reinstate your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth without restriction;
- The Committee may reinstate your license and place you on probation for such time as it may designate and subject to such terms and conditions as it may deem appropriate, reprimand you, or impose a monetary penalty;
- The Committee may deny your application for reinstatement of your license;

Further, the Committee may refer the case to the Board of Nursing or a panel thereof for a formal hearing. If the Committee is of the opinion that suspension or revocation may be justified, the Committee may offer you a Consent Order for suspension or revocation in lieu of a formal hearing.

If you fail to appear at the informal conference, the Committee may proceed to hear the case in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above. At least ten days prior to the scheduled date of the conference, please inform this office at (804) 367-4515, or in writing at the address listed above, of your telephone number and whether you intend to appear at the informal conference.

To facilitate this proceeding, you should submit five copies of any documents you wish the Committee to consider to the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, by October 5, 2010. Your documents may not be submitted by facsimile or email.

You have the right to the information on which the Board will rely in making its decision. Therefore, I have enclosed a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your

case. **These documents are enclosed only with the original notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the informal conference.**

Relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which govern proceedings of this nature, as well as laws relating to the practice of nursing and other healing arts in Virginia cited in this notice, can be found on the Internet at <http://leg1.state.va.us>. To access this information, please click on the *Code of Virginia* for statutes and *Virginia Administrative Code* for regulations.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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