VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CHEYENNA N. WILKS, R.N. License No.: 0001-220404

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Wilks' license to practice professional nursing in Virginia.

The Board adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-220404 to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on July 28, 2007. Said license is set to expire on August 31, 2013. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
- 2. During the course of her employment as a nurse at Sentara Potomac Hospital, Woodbridge, Virginia, between August 2 and 18, 2011, Ms. Wilks diverted fentanyl 50 mcg patches and hydromorphone 2 mg syringes (both Schedule II) for her own personal and unauthorized use. She diverted the drugs by using the password of a co-worker to access the Pyxis drug storage units. When Ms. Wilks was confronted, she admitted to having an addiction problem. As a result of the incidents, her employment was terminated.
- 3. On September 6, 2011, Ms. Wilks entered into a participation contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP") citing her substance abuse problem. At her orientation meeting on October 10, and on October 24, 2011, she notified HPMP that she relapsed on heroin. She is currently on a pre-dismissal status that was extended until October 12, 2012, when she missed a check-in with the drug testing line.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5) and (6) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.
 - 2. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code.

CONSENT

Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N., by affixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

- 1. She has been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
- 2. She acknowledges that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000(A) et seq. of the Code;
- 3. She acknowledges that she has the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact finding conference before the Board, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to representation by counsel, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against her;
 - 4. She waives all such right to an informal conference;
- 5. She admits to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waives her right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in any subsequent proceeding before the Board;
- 6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her right to practice professional nursing in Virginia.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.

- 2. The Board shall TAKE NO FURTHER ACTION at this time contingent on the following conditions:
- a. Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N. shall comply with all terms and conditions for the period specified by the HPMP.
- b. Any violation of the terms and conditions stated in this Order shall be reason for revoking the license of Ms. Wilks, and an administrative proceeding shall be held to decide whether her license should be revoked. Ms. Wilks shall be noticed to appear before the Board at such time as the Board is notified that:
- i. Ms. Wilks is not in compliance with the terms and conditions specified by the HPMP;
 - ii. Ms. Wilks' participation in the HPMP has been terminated;
- iii. There is a pending investigation or unresolved allegation against Ms. Wilks involving a violation of law, regulation, or any term or condition of this order.
- iv. Ms. Wilks has successfully completed the above-referenced period of participation in the HPMP. However, upon receipt of Ms. Wilks' participation in and compliance with the HPMP, the Board, at its discretion, may waive Ms. Wilks' appearance before the Board and conduct an administrative review of this matter.
- 3. This Order is applicable to Ms. Wilks' multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. For the duration of this Order, Ms. Wilks shall not work outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Virginia Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Ms. Wilks wishes to work. Any requests for out of state employment should be directed, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Board.

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4. Ms. Wilks shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 et seq. of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas, R. V., M.S.M., C.S.A.C. Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: May Jy M 2012

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Cheyenna N. Wilks, R.N.

Certified True Copy

By

Virginia Board of Nursing

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