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NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

September 11, 2009

Teresa L. Spradlin, C.N.A. Reinstatement Applicant
533 Elm Avenue SW
Roanoke, Virginia 24015

CERTIFIED MAIL
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Re: VA Certificate No.: 1401-070611
Expired: January 31, 2000

Dear Ms. Spradlin:

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 13, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.**, at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Richmond, 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 certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws and regulations governing nurse aide practice in Virginia.

Specifically, you may have violated § 54.1-3007(1) and (4) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-25-100(1)(b) of the Regulations Governing Certified Nurse Aides in that on your application for reinstatement of your certificate to practice as a nurse aide, received by the Board on or about January 26, 2009, you answered "NO" to the question "Have you ever been convicted, pled guilty to, or pled no contest to the violation of any federal, state, or other law constituting a felony or misdemeanor, including convictions for driving under the influence (DUI) but excluding traffic violations?" when, in fact, on or about October 2, 2003, you were convicted of misdemeanor driving with a suspended or revoked license, and on or about October 24, 2003, you were convicted of three counts of petit larceny in the Roanoke City, Virginia, General District Court. On or about December 12, 2003, you were convicted of operating a motor vehicle after having been adjudicated as an habitual offender and failure to appear, both misdemeanors, in the Circuit Court for the City of Salem, Virginia.

The burden of providing evidence satisfactory to the Board that you are prepared to resume the competent practice as a nurse aide 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 certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth without restriction;
- The Committee may reinstate your certificate 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 certificate; or


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, Richmond, Virginia 23233, by **October 6, 2009**. 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.**

Also enclosed are copies of the relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which governs proceedings of this nature, as well as the relevant laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in Virginia.

Sincerely,


Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.
Deputy Executive Director

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Enclosures

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