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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:

DEIDRE FARAHANI  
License No. 43ZA00513700

Administrative Action

**INTERIM CONSENT ORDER**

TO PRACTICE RESPIRATORY CARE  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Respiratory Care (Board) on or about September 24, 2010, upon receipt of notice from the Hackensack University Medical Center that on or about September 3, 2010, Deidre Farahani (Respondent) who was employed as a respiratory therapist was terminated for discontinuation of mechanical ventilator support on a patient without a physician's order. The patient subsequently died.

Respondent is scheduled to appear before the Board for an investigative inquiry into this matter on November 9, 2010. The Board and Respondent seek to resolve this matter on an interim basis and recognizing that Respondent agrees to surrender her license and will not practice respiratory care in New

Jersey until further order of this Board. The Board reserving the right to take further action, and finding the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public interest and for good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS *27<sup>th</sup>* DAY OF *October*, 2010, ORDERED THAT:

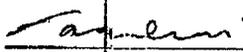
1. Effective immediately and until further order of the Board, Respondent voluntarily agrees to, and shall cease and desist the practice of respiratory care in the State of New Jersey;
2. Respondent shall immediately surrender her original New Jersey respiratory care license and biennial renewal card to Dorcas O'Neal, Executive Director of the Respiratory Care Board, 124 Halsey St., 6<sup>th</sup> floor, P.O. Box 45031, Newark, NJ 07101;
3. Respondent hereby acknowledges and agrees that entry of this interim Order shall not in any way preclude any further action against Respondent by the Board or any administrative or law enforcement entity resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of the within interim Order.

STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

By:

  
Kenneth Capek  
Board President

I have read and understood  
the above Consent Order and  
I agree to abide by its terms.  
I understand that this Consent  
Order has serious legal  
consequences and have decided to  
enter into this agreement with  
the Board without counsel.  
Consent is hereby given to the  
Board to enter this Order.

  
Deidre Farthani