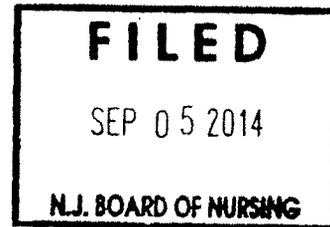


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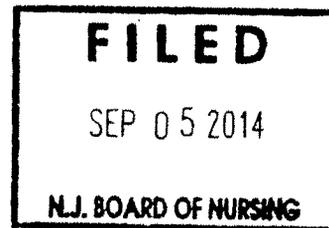


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(Conspiracy to Distribute CDS). On August 27, 2014, Respondent pled guilty to one count of conspiring to distribute CDS. Respondent, during the course of his employment as a prison nurse, conspired to smuggle 50 decks of heroin into the prison.

The Board finds that Respondent has been convicted of, or engaged in acts constituting, any crime or offense relating adversely to the practice of nursing, subjecting him to discipline pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f). For purposes of that section, a plea of guilty shall be deemed a conviction. N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f).

The drug-related charges and guilty plea are sufficient to warrant Respondent, as a condition for reinstated licensure, to submit to evaluation, testing, and monitoring to evaluate whether continued practice may jeopardize the safety and welfare of the public pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(f) and to secure treatment as may be necessary to properly discharge nursing functions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(e).

When asked to provide the Board with proof of completion of continuing education, Respondent answered that he had not completed any continuing education courses within the last three years. On March 31, 2013, Respondent completed an online application to renew his nursing license and answered "yes" to

the question which asked whether he completed the thirty hours of required continuing education during the June 1, 2011 - May 31, 2013 biennial period.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3(b), a nurse shall complete a minimum of 30 hours of continuing education per biennial period. Falsification of any information submitted on the renewal application may result in penalties and/or suspension or revocation of license. N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3(a). Additionally, a nurse shall maintain continuing education compliance documentation for a period of four years after completion of the hours and shall submit such documentation to the Board upon request. N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3(f).

Respondent failed to demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board, that Respondent completed 30 hours of required continuing education during the June 1, 2011 - May 31, 2013 biennial period. The Board therefore finds Respondent in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, which the Board deems professional misconduct within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and also constitutes a violation or failure to comply with a regulation administered by the Board within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h). Additionally, Respondent engaged in the use or employment of dishonesty, deception, or misrepresentation within the intendment

of N.J.S.A. 1-21(b) by falsely certifying on his renewal application that he had completed the required continuing education when he could not demonstrate that he did so.

The Board having reviewed this matter; the parties desiring to resolve this matter; the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public; in lieu of further proceedings; Respondent waiving any right to a hearing; and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 5th day of Sept., 2014

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. Christopher A. Ramdayal's license to practice nursing is hereby suspended for a minimum of two years and until further Board Order after he appears before the Board and demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the Board, that he is sufficiently rehabilitated, fit and competent to practice, and has met all regulatory requirements for reinstatement, including those pertaining to continuing education.

2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the total amount of one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$1250), which includes a one thousand dollar (\$1000) civil penalty for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) and a two hundred and fifty dollar (\$250) civil penalty for failing to

timely complete required continuing education.

3. Respondent is hereby reprimanded for providing a false answer on his renewal application pertaining to continuing education.

4. Prior to seeking reinstatement, in addition to all other requirements, Respondent shall successfully complete a Board-approved ethics course. Respondent shall submit a written request to the Board for approval of any course he intends to complete before he begins the course. This course shall be in addition to the required continuing education for any biennial licensing period and shall not be counted as continuing education.

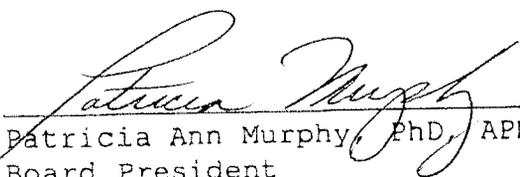
5. The Board will not entertain an application for reinstatement from Respondent unless and until Respondent completes a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse evaluation under the auspices of the Board's designated intervention program, the Recovery And Monitoring Program ("RAMP"), demonstrates that he is fit and competent to practice nursing, that he is in full compliance with any agreement with RAMP, and that RAMP supports his return to practice.

6. Respondent expressly waives any claim of privilege or confidentiality that he may have concerning evaluations, RAMP

reports and disclosures to the Board, and use by the Board of that information in any proceedings.

7. All costs associated with the courses, evaluation, monitoring, and/or treatment outlined above shall be the responsibility of, and paid directly by, Respondent.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: 
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN
Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.


Christopher A. Ramdayal, LPN
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