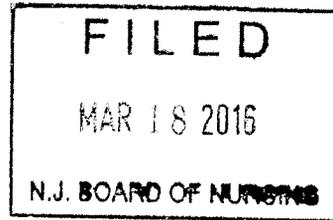


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF
RUTH F DSOUZA
LICENSE NO.26NP06712700 : : Administrative Action
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: : ORDER MEMORIALIZING
: : PAYMENT OF PENALTY
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information that respondent failed to comply with N.J.S.A. 45:11-24(d)(27) and N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3 in that the respondent failed to timely complete continuing education requirements for the June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015 renewal period. Respondent advised the Board of this lack of compliance with regulatory requirements when the respondent's nursing license was renewed in 2015.

Respondent has since provided the Board with documentation of having belatedly satisfied the above-referenced continuing education requirements, and has paid a \$250.00 civil penalty assessed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h) for the violation of a regulation administered by the Board.

The Board finding that inasmuch as respondent has been provided with notice of the imposition of the civil penalty, and notice by letter that the within Order reflecting payment would be filed subsequent to respondent's payment of the penalty, and finding that the entry of the within Order in order to memorialize the Board's finding of a regulatory violation, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 18th DAY OF March, 2016

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. A civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, which penalty has already been paid in full.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: 
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C
Board President