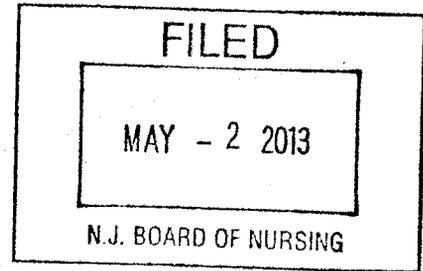


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION  
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

CLEELIA BROWN, R.N.  
LICENSE NO. 26NO06762600

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

CONSENT ORDER

The New Jersey State Board of Nursing is charged with the duty and responsibility of regulating the practice of nursing in the State of New Jersey pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act, N.J.S.A. 45:11-1 et seq. and regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-14.1 et seq.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:11-23, all homemaker-home health aides ("CHHA") are required to be certified by the Board as they are performing nursing tasks delegated by a licensed registered professional nurse. N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.2 requires that the registered professional nurse shall be responsible for exercising that degree of judgment and knowledge reasonably expected

to assure that a proper delegation has been made including that a registered professional nurse may not delegate the performance of a nursing task to persons who have not been adequately prepared by verifiable training and education.

Cleelia Brown ("Respondent") holds New Jersey license 26NO06762600 as a Registered Nurse with the Board. Respondent is employed by KNM Home Health Care, LLC ("KNM Home") in Mount Holly, New Jersey as a Registered Nurse. Beginning with KNM Home's renewal Board registration in 2007, and every subsequent year thereafter until the agency's closure in May 2012, Respondent was identified by KNM Home as a Nursing Supervisor.

Through its investigation, the Board has determined that while serving as KNM Home's Nursing Supervisor, Respondent engaged in multiple violations of N.J.S.A. 45:11-23 and N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:45B-13 and N.J.A.C. 13:45B-14 by failing to ensure that aides assigned to clients who required personal care were Certified Homemaker-Home Health Aides; failed to involve herself in the assignment of aides to clients; failing to confirm and document that the care provided did not exceed the scope of the delegated tasks and procedures; and/or that the delegated tasks were performed in a satisfactory manner.

Given the above, the Board finds that Respondent engaged in multiple acts of professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and/or has violated the statutes and/or regulations governing the practice of nursing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter, and the Board, being satisfied that entry of the within Order obviates the need for formal proceedings, and being further satisfied that the within disposition is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown

IT IS, therefore, ON THIS 2 day of May, 2013, ORDERED and AGREED that:

1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey shall be suspended for a period of two (2) years effective upon entry of the within Consent Order. The entire period of suspension shall be stayed and served as a period of probation, provided that Respondent demonstrates compliance with all the terms and conditions of the within Consent Order.

2. Respondent shall agree to never act as Director of Nursing at any facility of any kind. A report of compliance with the terms of this Order signed by a supervisor shall be submitted to the Board Office every six months for the entire two year probationary period.

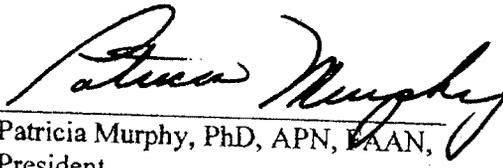
3. Respondent is assessed an aggregate civil penalty of \$4,000 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 for the violations described herein. Payment shall be made by money order or other certified funds payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, and forwarded to the attention of George Hebert, Executive Director of the Board of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, P.O. Box 45027, Newark, NJ, 07101.

4. Respondent shall reimburse the Board's investigative costs and fees totaling \$13,578.49 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25(d). The payment of said costs and fees shall be suspended provided that Respondent complies with the terms of this Consent Order and the rules and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the State of New Jersey.

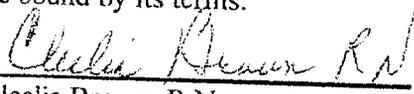
5. Respondent shall enroll in and successfully complete a Board-approved educational course in delegation. Successful completion means that Respondent attended all sessions of the course, fully participated in the course, and received a final evaluation of an unconditional pass. The Board further requests that Respondent submit to the Board written verification that Respondent satisfactorily completed all recommendations by submitting a certificate of completion, completed workbook and attendance record.

6. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Order. Upon receipt of any reliable information indicating that Respondent has violated any term of this Order, the Board reserves the right to bring further disciplinary action.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:   
Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN, FAAN,  
President

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

  
Cleelia Brown, R.N.