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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 : Administrative Action  
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KATHLEEN PHILBIN, RN :   
License #26NR15871100 : CONSENT ORDER  
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TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE :   
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :   
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information indicating that Kathleen Philbin, RN ("Respondent") was terminated from an assignment as an agency nurse at Hackettstown Regional Medical Center ("HRMC") on July 9, 2013, which was her fourth day of being assigned to work at HRMC, a facility where she had not previously worked. Respondent had never worked on the unit where this incident occurred.

On July 8, 2013, Respondent claims to have dropped two unwrapped non-CDS medications, Protonix and Colace, on the floor,

and then to have retrieved replacements. Respondent did not follow policy for replacing these medications, and did not chart the waste.

The Board finds that Respondent's conduct of failing to properly document waste warrants a reprimand for engaging in professional misconduct, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

The Board acknowledging the parties' desire to resolve this matter without further proceedings; without any admission of wrongdoing by Respondent; Respondent waiving any right to a hearing; the Board finding the within resolution adequately protective of the public; and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 08 day of JUNE, 2016

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. A reprimand is hereby imposed upon Respondent for the conduct detailed above.
2. Within three (3) months of the date that this Order is filed, Respondent shall enroll in, participate in, and successfully complete Board-approved courses in the following three subjects: medication administration, documentation, and ethics.
3. Documentation of successful completion must be mailed

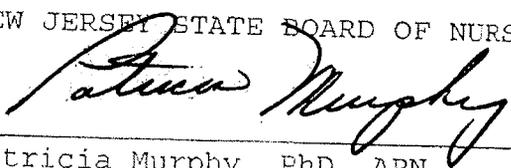
to the attention of Joanne Leone, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey, 07101.

Documentation must be received by the Board within three (3) months of the date that this Order is filed.

4. Any hours or credits earned for completing these courses shall not be applied towards satisfaction of Respondent's continuing education requirements. These courses shall be in addition to the thirty (30) hours of continuing education required for license renewal.
5. Any deviation from the terms of this Order without the prior written consent of the Board shall constitute a failure to comply with the terms of this Order. Failure to comply with this Order may result in subsequent disciplinary proceedings.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

  
Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN  
Board President

I have read and understand  
the within Consent Order

and agree to be bound by  
its terms.

Kathleen Philbin

Kathleen Philbin, RN

Dated:

May 15, 2016

Consented to as to form and  
entry:

Joann Pietro  
Joann Pietro, Esq.

Attorney for Kathleen Philbin, RN

Dated:

June 6, 2016