



*Use the space below to provide a description of measures you think could have prevented any action being taken against the license and/or would have prevented harm to the patient if harm occurred.*

*Even though the most significant outcome hurt the nurse and his license, there are factors in which a patient could have been affected during his career. With multiple offenses of driving while intoxicated, one could assume that the respondent consumed alcohol regularly and irresponsibly. Each offense could have easily been case in which someone else was injured due to his negligence behind the wheel. There may have been a case in which he had traces of alcohol in his system while treating patients, which could have been detrimental to a patients life. Ultimately, integrity plays the biggest part in this situation. Being mindful of what your actions can have affect on ones future. Mr. Garza made a mistake in drinking and driving but continued to make the same mistake. He also lied and falsely submitted his registration one could assume knowingly that he had committed the crime. The respondent should have made better decisions which consuming alcohol and been truthful when is came to his registration. He may not have been granted his nursing license regardless of being truthful, but his name will be under the TBON radar indefinitely.*

*Use the space below to describe what action you think a prudent nurse would take as the first to person to discover the event described, in other words, you are the one who discovers the patient has been harmed by the nurse or you have discovered the impairment or criminal activity cited in the disciplinary action.*

*As a prudent nurse or even prospective nurse, I would have not falsified the information. Knowing that I am applying for a prestigious career. Integrity will always be relied on in nursing and starting off with a lie is not professional whatsoever. Now even though this case was based on the nurses history, as a friend or family member, I would have encouraged Mr. Garza to be more responsible. Multiple offenses show that there was an issue which needed to be adjusted to prevent continuous actions. I would have provided time to be a friend and encourage him to have a designated driver or even be that driver. I have in the past for many friends and family. Ultimately, this case was based on the nurse's personal habits and decisions. I do believe if someone wants to change, it begins with themselves. Though, being there as a friend, peer or family member an encouraging change is better than turning the blind eye to the situation.*