

# Covenant School of Nursing

## Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

### Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Samantha Reeves

Date: 10/18/2020

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Name of the defendant: Harry Bowers

License number of the defendant: RN 754831

Date action was taken against the license: 07/19/2018

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked

Harry Bowers was charged with five different charge's, these charges took place between October 7<sup>th</sup> through October 26<sup>th</sup> of 2016. He withdrew Fentanyl from the medication dispensing system for the patients but failed to follow the facilities policy and procedure for wasting the medication. As well as documenting the medication administration in the patients Medication Administration Record. They found that he misappropriated six hundred micrograms of Fentanyl. He was also charged with the misappropriated use of one vial of Dilaudid 2mg/1 ml on March 22, 2017. He violated 22 Texas Admin. Code 217. 12(1)(A), (1)(B), (4), (6), (G), (8), (10) (E) & (11)(B). Due to these charges his license was revoked from the Texas Board of Nursing.

Measures that could have been taken to prevent actions from being taken against his license was following the facilities protocol when administering medications and the misappropriation of them. By not documenting the medication he administered he could have caused effects in the patient if another medical professional administered another drug. That puts the patient at risk and as a nurse he was supposed to protect and care for his patient.

If I was the nurse that discovered the events described previously, I would have reported him to my supervisor. I would have also investigated the problem by asking the patient how many times their nurse came in to administer medication and checked the patient's medical administration record to see what was documented. Then taken precautions to make sure the patients medication record was updated correctly for the safety of the patient. Especially with medications like Fentanyl and Dilaudid, medications like these can affect the patient in a negative way if too much was delivered to the patient. There are reasons why hospitals have protocols when it comes to medications administration and documentation. The safety of the patient is the hospitals number one priority, as well as making sure the patients care was cost efficient.