Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Ashlee Guzman   Date: December 4th, 2020   DAS Assignment # __**1**_____ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Tammy Christine Collins   License number of the defendant: 731490

Date action was taken against the license: May 13th, 2014

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked

The actions that led to this event was that the nurse submitted her specimen for a pre-employment drug screen which resulted positive for Marijuana Metabolites. She used an unlawful possession of Marijuana which is prohibited in Chapter 481 of the Texas Health & Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The Marijuana could impair the nurse's ability to recognize signs, symptoms, changes in the patient's condition, appropriate assessments, judgements, or decisions regarding patient care. The Registered Nurse could've placed many patients in potential danger.

I think that this situation could have been prevented if the nurse would've realized that drugs are very dangerous and can impair our body system. The drug she took can impair her ability to assess a patient and to take care of them thoroughly. Since she had a substance abuse problem with the drug, she should have gone to a prevention wellness group or get a recovery treatment to stop using that substance which would put her patients in danger. This could have prevented the situation and improved her health and occupational well-being.

If I had discovered this situation, I would have let the charged nurse know about it. I would have reported this situation to the charged nurse, so she won't harm anymore patients. I would let them know that the nurse is doing an unlawful drug intake which can cause patients to be in great danger. A nurse should never ignore or accept excuses from this kind of behavior. Nurses have the Association Code of Ethics which we should follow and do the right thing. It's important to take the right steps in these kind of situations.