

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Bergan Gunter

Date: 12/26/2020

DAS Assignment # 3 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Rebecca Johnson Cheek

License number of the defendant: 463974

Date action was taken against the license: March 13, 2014

Type of action taken against the license: Remedial Education with Fine

Use the space below to describe the events which led to action taken against the license. If multiple charges were in play, be sure and cite them, e.g. drug diversion, HIPAA violation, abandonment, forfeiture on student loans, etc.

Ms. Cheek obtained a urine sample without a physician's order and failed to report that the patient was experiencing symptoms of a urinary tract infection to the physician. She must within one year of the order complete the Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics course. It must be a six-hour course and include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Ms. Cheek must also complete a six-hour course in nursing documentation. She must also complete 3.6 contact hour online program "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills". Ms. Cheek must also pay a \$200 fine within 45 days of the order.

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.

Ms. Cheek could have avoided any actions from being taken against her if she would have informed the physician of the patients' symptoms and recommended a urine sample. She should have waited for the physician's order and kept the physician informed.

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.

If I discovered that Ms. Cheek obtained a urine sample without a physician's order and then did not inform the physician of the patients symptoms or results of the sample I would report the incident to my charge nurse and the fill out a complaint form.