

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Alexi Vigil

Date: 05/01/2020

DAS Assignment # 3 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Lisa Michelle Authement

License number of the defendant: 837774

Date action was taken against the license: June 09,2020

Type of action taken against the license: Probated Suspension

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.

Drug diversion- RN was diverting patients' medications, specifically narcotics. RN says she never denied patients their medications, gave them the wrong medications, or practiced under the influence.

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.

Measures I think could have prevented any action being taken against the license is for this nurse to realize that she had a narcotic addiction problem. I also believe that the medication dispensing system should have caught that there were more narcotics being taken out than ordered. Since this nurse stated that she never denied her patients their pain medication or gave them the wrong medication.

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.

A prudent nurse in this situation, if she caught the RN taking narcotics from the dispensing system, should turn her into the charge nurse or nurse manager. Then, it should go up the chain of command from there.