

Covenant School of Nursing  
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment  
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Alissa Shepherd    Date: 5/7/2021    DAS Assignment # \_\_1\_\_ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Julieann Maria Brennan    License number of the defendant: 801576

Date action was taken against the license: 1/22/2019

Type of action taken against the license: Voluntary Surrender

*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.*

I believe there is one charge here and it looks like it would be drug diversion. The defendant withdrew four controlled substances from the dispensing system and failed to “accurately and/or completely document the administration of the medications in the MAR for the pt. Defendant failed to follow the policies and procedures for wasting the controlled substances and misappropriated the controlled substances. It also states that the defendant requested to withdraw from TPAPN, stating that “she was unable to safely practice professional nursing.”

*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.*

Seeing that the defendant started working at this hospital in December 2017 and ceased working there in April 2018, it would appear that measures were taken pretty quickly. The only other measures I could think of would have to be on the defendant’s part and if she was abusing these controlled substances, then she would most likely not come forward on her own.

*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 were the one to discover criminal activity or patient harm, I would advise my charge nurse of the situation and what I saw and/or heard.

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