

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Tatum Lee
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Date: 7/31/2021

DAS Assignment #

Name of the defendant: Sara Lynne Allen

License number of the defendant: 546761

Date action was taken against the license: January 4th, 2016

Type of action taken against the license: Accepting voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License

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.

-Failed to notify physician of a low panic lab value of low potassium and failed to intervene when patient experienced a change in mental status and low urine output through Foley catheter sequentially leading to patient expiration, failed to ensure that policies and procedures were in place regarding Foley catheter care.

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.

-The nurse who lost her license was a Director of Nursing which not only holds her to a higher standard but means she should fully be aware of all policies the unit needed to be educated on and followed. If these policies were followed and everyone was educated on the importance of Foley catheter care then this would never have become an incident of harm.

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.

-I would first go to the charge nurse and explain my findings right when I notice them and be sure to notify the physician. I then would go do everything I can to try and reverse the damage done by the prior nurse to help the patient and prevent the infection to spread any further.