

# Covenant School of Nursing

## Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

### Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Haley Brooke Rinehart

Date: 8-1-2021

DAS Assignment # \_\_\_1\_\_\_ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Emmer Jean Anthony

License number of the defendant: 251392

Date action was taken against the license: May 14, 2013

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked

*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.*

Charge I: For this charge Emmer Anthony put a lymph node biopsy and a left breast core biopsy in the same lab specimen container.

Charge II: For this charge Emmer Anthony did not accurately label a "breast biopsy x2" specimen. She also switched the Mammomark clips 1 and 2, so the physician was unable to identify the two different clips.

Charge III: For this charge Emmer Anthony mislabeled an Auxiliary Tissue specimen, and instead she labeled it as a lymph node tissue.

Charge IV: For this charge Emmer Anthony mislabeled a Submandibular Aspirations specimen, and instead she labeled it as a lymph node tissue.

Charge V: For this charge Emmer Anthony did not send a time sensitive laboratory specimen as a "stat" lab. Instead, she sent it to the regular pathology lab, where it takes longer for the result of the test to come back.

*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.*

For charges I-IV one thing that could have prevented everything that happened was the nurse could have been more alert to what she was doing and the procedure that happened.

For charge V one thing that could have prevented everything that happened was the nurse could have read the physician's order again and made sure if the physician needed them stat or just needed them to get done when the regular lab could get them done.

*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 was the nurse who discovered the impairments that this nurse did, I would first confront the nurse and ask her if she knew that she placed two different specimens together in the same container, mislabeled three different specimens, and she sent a lab as a regular lab that was supposed to be sent as a "stat" lab. Then I would go check on those patients and then go tell my charge nurse about the impairments that happened and see what she wanted me to do next.