

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Eric (Jay) Vasquez

Date: 10/9/21

DAS Assignment #_4_(1-4)

Name of the defendant: Robert R. Morgan

License number of the defendant: 613754

Date action was taken against the license: September 7th, 2011

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.

In this case, Robert was arrested at once for 2 separate charges and another charge that came at a later date for failing to appear in court.

Charge 1 was for, Possession of a controlled substance namely: methamphetamine. For this charge alone he was sentenced to 480 days to confinement in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, as well as court fines.

Charge 2 was for, unlawfully carrying of a weapon, as a result of the conviction he was ordered to serve 180 days in Travis County Jail as well as fines.

The final charge was for not showing up to court related to these charges, I am not too big in the legal system but my guess is he got bailed out and did not show up for court. The defendant received an additional 30 days in Travis County Jail as well as fines.

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. Consider which universal competencies were violated.

First and foremost a nurse should never partake in illegal activities/drugs. The nurse was being reckless with his patients by taking methamphetamines and who knows if he's ever felt the effects from it while clocked in taking care of patients. The first charge for methamphetamines was very reckless and whoever partakes in such illegal activities does not deserve to be a nurse. The second charge was for unlawful carrying of a weapon, my belief with the drugs and carrying some sort of weapon is he had a very dark life when off the clock and it could lead to dangerous patient care taking. The last charge was for not appearing to court, I believe if someone wanted to fix a mistake they would do everything they were required to do.

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 believe that if I ever saw not just a nurse, but anyone partaking in methamphetamines, I would immediately call the authorities. I would want to first talk to them and see if I can get them to help/rehab but they are most likely a stranger and I would just want to do the best possible action for my community. If I had saw/heard a nurse on my floor was partaking in methamphetamines, I would immediately notify the nurse manager. In the case with unlawful carrying, I would not know if it was unlawful since Texas has implemented a new law that you only need the gun in your name. If I saw that a nurse was skipping court I would try to do everything in my power to convince them/help them get to where they need to be.