

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Jonathan Paredes Date:5/6/2022 DAS Assignment # 1 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Terria Leigh Barton License number of the defendant: 590840

Date action was taken against the license: January 30, 2013

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked / Suspended for 3 years

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.

- The nurse withdrew Dilaudid and Fentanyl from Pyxis and failed to document administration, signs, symptoms of pt's response to drug. No record in the MAR or nurses notes of these drugs, for months.
- The nurse also failed to document that she wasted any left-over drug/narcotic with any other personnel.
- The nurse also withdrew the meds without proper physicians orders
- The nurse also came back positive for marijuana in her system and also alcohol

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.

- The nurse was a previous LVN and had practiced healthcare for a while before getting convicted. She should have had plenty of education of drug diversion.
- She should have taken multiple steps to prevent this event from happening. All controlled substances need to be correctly counted at the medication dispensing system and need to have a witness if any med needs to be wasted.
- Also don't smoke a narcotic and have alcohol in your system if you want to nurse

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 would have noticed that there was a wrong count of narcotics in the Pyxis I would tell the 1) charge nurse 2) pharmacy, 3) physician, and just let everyone know that something is wrong.
- I would look back at pt charts and make sure they are getting correct doses – prevent overdose