

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

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Date: 10/26/2022

DAS Assignment # 1

Name of the defendant: Sheila Burdette

License number of the defendant: 631325

Date action was taken against the license: 12/11/2018

Type of action taken against the license: Revocation of Professional 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.

The nurse in this article administered 18 units of NPH insulin and 8 units of regular insulin to a patient who did not need it. The other patient who needed that insulin did not receive it. Thus, putting both patients in risk of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia. This violation by the nurse led to the revocation of her license.

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 in this article violated the 7 rights of the patients involved. Seven rights include: right patient, right dose, right drug, right dose, right time, right route, right reason, and right documentation. These are very important when verifying the patient at bedside because nurses are the last line of defense. It is never enough to just check orders and administer the medication to the patient. She did not also ID her patient or used critical thinking skills. Critical thinking skills would lead the nurse to know the background and assessment for the patient. She failed to assess her patients in so many ways that it led to this medical error which could have cost her patients' lives.

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.

As a nurse, we are always reminded of dignity we have by doing the right thing even if no one is watching. To maintain the integrity of the image I embody, I will confront that nurse and immediately report it to the charge nurse. Yes, it is embarrassing and degrading for the nurse that made that mistake but the priority here is the

patient safety. That is why it is important to report it because actions should be done to those patients to save them may it be administering an antidote or performing care to save that patient.