

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: **Jeslee Harmon**

Date: **November 4, 2022**

DAS #: **2**

Name of the defendant: **John Joseph Dillion**

License number of the defendant: **814552**

Date action was taken against the license: **12/13/2016**

Type of action taken against the license: **Warning with Stipulations**

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.

Dillion broke nurse – patient relationship by texting former patient and meeting up with patient in public for coffee. Dillion stated he found a note with the patient's phone number and texted patient. Dillion also failed to comply with Agreed Order and he voluntarily surrendered RN licensure.

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.

Dillion should not have met up with patient for coffee. He should not have broken the boundaries of professionalism and engaged in unprofessional behavior by going out with former patient.

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.

My first and foremost action would want to be to talk with the nurse involved and discourage the nurse from breaking the professional nurse-patient relationship and going beyond what is appropriate. Since not enough information was provided about the situation involving the patient and the nurse whether the patient in fact provided the nurse with his/or her number, and or if the patient was of the age of consent. I think it is inappropriate to break nurse-patient relationship while the patient is under the care of the nurse, but I also believe once the patient is no longer under the care of the nurse, then the nurse and former patient could communicate with one another if they so choose to.

But thinking as a prudent nurse I would have to inform the CN first and let the CN handle the situation. All I can do is report on my end and possibly report to someone to HR so if the CN fails to report and something

happens to the patient then I can have a second person verify that I reported like I should but my information was not accurately reported according to policy.