

# Covenant School of Nursing

## Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

### Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Addison Howard

Date: 11/11/2022

DAS Assignment # 3 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Barbara Vernon Leon

License number of the defendant: 657680

Date action was taken against the license: 8/9/2016

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked

This particular nurse was charged with 6 different charges between 2014 and 2015 for drug diversion. The first charge against her was that she failed to properly waste a medication according to the hospital's protocols. The second charge against her was that she "misappropriated" those same medications (2 vials of hydromorphone). There was no specifics about this charge other than that it was thought to have been done in order to "defraud" the pharmacy and patient. The third charge against her was that she withdrew these 2 vials without a physician's order. The fourth charge against her was that she did not document anything when she took these 2 vials. The fifth charge against her was that she tested positive in a drug screen for this hydromorphone that she had stolen. The sixth charge against her occurred in 2015 because she tested positive for codeine in a random drug screen.

It is obvious that all of these charges against her were due to drug diversion. She broke many policies and regulations regarding the handling of medications including not properly documenting and not checking the eMAR with the medications or with the physician's orders.

If I was the first person to discover what this nurse had done I would first confront her because I would not have known the full story. Once I found out she was taking the medications I would have gone to her supervisor or reported her.