

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Crystal Vargas

Date: 01/20/2023

DAS Assignment # 1

Name of the defendant: Lachelle Nicole Caillouet

License number of the defendant: 724840

Date action was taken against the license: May 1st, 2011

Type of action taken against the license: Warning with stipulation

RN Caillouet was charged with two separate charges of abuse to two different infants in the NICU department.

With the first infant she was accused of hitting the baby on the buttocks while weighing the baby; She denied that it was done without any ill intent. The second accusation was of the RN twisting and pinching the arm of another infant in the NICU while she was trying to obtain a blood draw.

I believe this nurse became stressed from possibly having too many tasks. As she explained she was not taking her anti-depressant due to her being pregnant, however she should have realized that her mood was being affected to the point of possibly causing harm to her patients who were even more fragile than an infant born at term. If she did not feel comfortable taking the medication she should have discussed her feelings with her supervisor and maybe she could have been assigned lighter duties or duties that would not have her interacting with patients so closely.

Human Caring was violated because this nurse didn't treat the neonates with respect and dignity while caring for their basic needs. The worst part about violating this universal competency is that the babies could not speak for themselves. She also broke the competency of professional role by not maintaining a positive interaction while caring for the babies.

Seeing these actions take place, I believe the prudent nurse should step in and ask the nurse that is violating safe practice to stop performing the duties. The prudent nurse should report her findings to the House Supervisor or the Charge Nurse.