

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Katy Needham Date: 1/27/2023

DAS Assignment # 2 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Jennifer Lynn Amos

License number of the defendant: 658308

Date action was taken against the license: August 6th, 2013.

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked after suspension

Use the space below to describe the events which led to the action(s) 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.

A year before Mrs. Amos' license was revoked she also had her license suspended due to refusing a drug test after Stadol and Nubain went missing under her care. Eventually she admitted to diverting the medicine and took a drug test that confirmed she was abusing drugs she stole from the hospital unit. The board and the Illinois hospital places her license on probation and ordered her to rehab, which she failed to appear for.

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.

I feel like the board did all necessary measures to prevent Mrs. Amos from losing her license. They gave her a chance to admit her wrongdoing and she withheld the truth for months. They also gave her the opportunity to attend rehab, but she failed to attend. It was Mrs. Amos fault that her license was revoked because she did not go to drug rehab. If she had went then the board agreed to only have her license on probation for three years.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

Mrs. Amos violated human caring, safety, and professional role competencies. By diverting the drugs from a patient to herself she endangered and harmed her patient. Because Stadol and Nubain are used to manage pain she caused physical pain to her patient by not administering them. Failing to comply with the doctor's orders and diverting drugs violates her role as a registered nurse. She is supposed to do no harm.

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 a prudent nurse discovered that Mrs. Amos was diverting drugs and under the influence, they have a responsibility to report it. They should inform the charge nurse and HR. As equally important, I would check on the patient and give them the medication they needed.