

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Vanette Martinez

Date: 02/02/2023

DAS Assignment # 3 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Sarah Roben

License number of the defendant: 792239

Date action was taken against the license: 1st day of October, 2014.

Type of action taken against the license: Warning with stipulations

Sarah Roben was employed in the Memorial Herman Hospital-Texas Medical Center, Houston, TX when the incident took place. She failed to document and take care of a patient's wounds. The patient needed multiple dressings changes ordered by the physician which they were all assigned to Sarah Roben. She did not do her assigned duties which could have had put the patients wound at risk. Documentation and procedures need to be done as ordered to provide the best patient care, but Sarah Roben did not do either or.

Sarah Roben failed to provide the appropriate wound care from July 5, 2011, through July 14, 2011, which could have had put the patient at greater risk for untreated wound care. If Sarah Roben would have taken the time to assess the patients wounds each day as ordered her license would have remained the same. She stated her unit had been full which caused her to miss the patient's documentation. In the hospital setting there are different ways a nurse can manage to care for all the patients such as asking for help or taking care of the most patients at risk for obtaining a nosocomial infection.

Sarah Roben violated many universal competencies such as patient safety and security, standard precautions, communication, critical thinking, documentation, and human caring. The patient's safety and security were put at risk because the patients 7 rights were not followed since Sarah Roben forgot to assess the wound and document. Standard precautions as required were not followed because the patient needed strict asepsis for the wounds. Communication needed to be followed because if the nurse had a full unit, she could have had ask for extra help and communicate with the patient to make sure they were no S&S for infection. Sarah's critical thinking could have had been followed if she would have prioritized her tasks and procedures. Documentation is a huge part in patient care and Sarah did not save all the documentation from 07/05/14-07/12/14. Human caring is very important because this patient was the priority, and the wounds were left untreated which could have put the patient at greater risks.

As a student nurse patient care needs to be done as ordered to provide the best patient care. If I would have had discovered the patients untreated wound, I would assess the patient right away and make sure there were no S&S of infection. Then I would investigate the medical record and notify the health care provider for further details, and I would also talk to the nurse in charge to make sure we were all in the same page. I would make sure the patient had the appropriate documentation as well as the best wound care as ordered for this patient.