

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Ariella (Ali) Torres Date: 02/07/2023

DAS Assignment # _4_

Name of the defendant: Jenna Cherish Dickerson

License number of the defendant: 745592

Date action was taken against the license: 02/14/2012

Type of action taken against the license: Revoked

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.

The defendant was charged with the first degree of murder. The nurse has not been proven of this action being intentional or the extent of the death of John Hamlin, the individual was known to be her father. The defendant did admit to pointing a gun at the man and shooting him in the chest as he was approaching her. The nurse was immediately revoked because nurses can't be licensed with a felony, especially the instance of first degree of murder.

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 think multiple things could've prevented the revoking of the nurses license. The nurse could've easily filed a restraining order against the individual if she felt endangered in his presence. Dependent on the situation the nurse could've called the cops and let the situation be handled by them. The nurse was either acting in self defense or intentionally harming someone which gives a nurse a bad reputation as she are supposed to help others and not bring any harm to them. The nurse had her license revoked not only for the felony, but she is now likely to put her patient and the public at harm.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

The nurse had violated 3 universal competencies, the emotional aspect of safety and security, human caring, and the professional role. The emotional aspect was violated the cause the patients trust and respect was not promoted, the felony the defendant committed in turn could terrify her patients. Human caring was violated because as nurses we are supposed to care about people and treat everyone with respect and have a caring heart is important to being a nurse. The professional role was also violated because as nurses we are supposed to follow all the laws and conducts, we are leaders in society and we have to have a good reputation, and not breaking the law nor the laws according to nursing.

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.

As the prudent nurse I would be a good coworker and get to know each of the people I work with everyday and recommend that she do something about the situation before the situations ends up being something she would regret. I would remind her that we are in charge of keeping our patients safe every time we clock into work. Our patients expect to receive the best care possible when they are in our presence. If I were in her position and I felt any harm that could be projected to my patients I would do everything possible to prevent harm. It is not also appropriate to have nurses who harm patients, that is not our role as nurses.