

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Jarrett Evans

Date: 3/24/2023

DAS Assignment # 1

Name of the defendant: Tasia Diana Furtell

License number of the defendant: 661443

Date action was taken against the license: 5/10/16

Type of action taken against the license: Waring with stipulation

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.

Mrs. Futrell had a total of five charges. The first two charges were verbal abuse of two different patients at two different healthcare facilities. Her actions could have potentially caused addition harm to her patients. The third charge was failure to follow doctor's orders. She turned off her patient's tube feeding causing her patient not to get the right amount of nutrition that the doctor ordered. Her fourth charge is she failed to administer two medications for her patient. The final charge was leaving her patients without letting any staff know. She did not give report to anyone.

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.

There is nothing that could have prevented the verbal abuse to the patients or turning off the tube feeding. If Mrs. Futrell honestly forgot to give her patient their medication, I think that could have been prevented. If she had a better system of knowing when to give medication to patient, maybe the patient would have received their medication. I hope the staff of Littlefield Hospital had good communication and they knew that Mrs. Furtell left, and the staff took care of her patients, so that no patients were harm by Mrs. Furtell disregard for her patients.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

Her first two charges of verbal abuse violates several universal competencies. Her violations on these charge were violating her patients' physical and emotional safety, failure to demonstrate professional communication, failure to demonstrate human caring. One patient she threatened to put a pillow over his face. She threatened not to give her other patient their meds after cussing and yelling at them. Her unprofessional actions failed to promote trust and respect for her patients. Her third charge of failure to follow doctor's orders by turning off tube feeding violation patient physical safety. By turning off the pump, she did not complete 1 of the 7 rights if medication administration, the right dose. The fourth charge was the failure to administer medications violated

patient physical safety. By not giving the patient their medication, it delayed their care. The last charge was leaving her nursing assignment without telling her peers violated two universal competencies, patient safety and professional communication. By leaving her patients unintended, anything could have happened to them.

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 a prudent nurse, I would of reported Mrs Furtell for the verbal abuse of patients, her turning off the tube feeding because “she was tired of listening to the machines beeping”, and abandoning her patients. All of her unprofessional actions could have caused additional patient harm. Someone who has such disregard for patient safety should not be working in the healthcare field.