

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Eric Andrade

Date: 3/31/2023

DAS Assignment # 2

Name of the defendant: Victor Herrera

License number of the defendant: 944303

Date action was taken against the license: December 17, 2020

Type of action taken against the license: Warning with Stipulations and Fine

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.

Mr. Herrera decided to take matters into his own hands and treat the patient PRBC. He didn't get a doctor's prescription for it; instead, the nurse entered an inaccurate transcribing order for two units of PRBC. To my surprise, the doctor says that this patient didn't require blood. Mr. Herrera unsuccessfully did not cancel this faulty order, putting the patient at higher risk of receiving the second dose of PRBC.

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.

By not giving this patient blood that wasn't necessary, Mr. Herrera's nursing license could have avoided being at risk. Knowingly, as a nurse, you do not have the authority to provide a patient a prescription for anything without a doctor's order. This nurse's actions put the patient at serious risk for an iron overload and a severe allergic reaction.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

***Safety and Security** was breached, the nurse did not follow the 7 rights of medication.*

***Communication** was breached, nurse lied about patient needing blood.*

***Critical Thinking** was breached, the nurse did not stop to think why this patient should have been given blood and did not discontinue wrongful order.*

***Documentation** was breached, the nurse falsely documented an order from a physician saying this patient needs 2 units of blood.*

***Human Caring** was breached, the nurse was careless about the patient's well-being putting said patient at high risk for 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.

To have found the the patient who had been mistreated and harmed, I would alert the charge nurse of falsely documentation orders. I would inquire as to why this patient was receiving a second unit of blood because it would also be my fault for failing to check the documentation if I were to give the patient blood that was unnecessary.