

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Star Harlin Date: 04-14-23

DAS Assignment # ____4____ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Victoria elaine Wilt

License number of the defendant: 789707

Date action was taken against the license: April 16, 2015

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.

While Victoria was employed at Good Shepard Medical Center in Longview, Tx, she made several mistakes that the board of nursing charged her for. Starting when she hit the head of a neonatal when she placed the patient back into the incubator and she failed to assess or document after the incident happened. She also failed to document feedings, vital signs, and I&O to several of her patients. The nurse also failed to perform a bilirubin test that the physician order to have done.

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.

The nurse should have immediately reported that she had hit the babys head and did an assessment to make sure everything was fine. It should have also been reported to the doctor so test could be run to insure the babys head was okay. She should have been diligent enough to document for every patient to make sure the chart was up to date for other caregivers and physicans. By ignoring a doctors order to run a bilirubin test, those results could never be seen and not the doctor wouldn't know what to treat for the patient.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

She did not show trust or respect toward her patients or the patient's parents. Since she works with such young and fragile patients the parents leave a lot of trust in those nurse's hands and she neglected that trust. Her decision making was selfish and left her patients vulnerable. She did not show professionalism in her actions and she showed a lack of caring towards the patients and her coworkers. She failed to document and update her patients chart with important information that could be useful to other caregivers and doctors to help treat the patients. She ignored a doctors order that was going to test the patient for bilirubin levels and that could have lead to the patient having further complications without having that test done.

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 I had been the nurse to accidentally hit a patient on the head I would have felt absolutely awful and reported it right away to make sure the baby was okay and did not suffer any further complications from it. I would be the nurse to report any wrongdoing that was happening to patients. I would make sure the charge nurse was aware of the things this nurse was doing to protect current patients and future patients. Especially patients that cannot fight for themselves!

Citations

Texas Board of Nursing (Texas Board Of Nursing April 15, 2016).