

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Brianna Fenton
(1-4)

Date: 08-17-2023

DAS Assignment # 1

Name of the defendant: Linda Ann Elliott

License number of the defendant: 821278

Date action was taken against the license: 07/12/2016

Type of action taken against the license: Suspend/Probate

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 nurse in this case was rushing to finish her last medication administration and was looking on the medicine orders. She said that the order stated to be "100U Novolog at 4:00 PM" (page 2). She and another nurse assumed it was a pharmacy error and she continued to give 102U anyway.

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 could have been a lot of things to prevent this medication error. She should have called the doctor to confirm that it was the correct dose of insulin. She lied when she put in the chart how much medication she gave, she should have told the truth and reported it to the charge nurse. The other nurse that helped her should have known to call the doctor as well to make sure. You should never rush when administering medication, that is when errors take place. She should have taken her time to go over everything the correct way.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

She violated safety and security by not making sure it was the right dose of medication. She violated critical thinking by not using good decision making, giving the incorrect dose of medication. She violated documentation by lying and saying she gave 2U instead of 102U. I also believe that she violated communication because she did not take the time to communicate with the doctor on the right dose.

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.

I think they would immediately let the charge nurse and physician know what has happened. In this case I think they would check blood glucose level and monitor vital signs after notifying the cn and physician.