

# Covenant School of Nursing

## Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

### Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Lindsey McCormack  
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Date: 08/21/2023

DAS Assignment #

Name of the defendant: Roshanda Sherire Williams  
673663

License number of the defendant:

Date action was taken against the license: May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Type of action taken against the license: Warning with Stipulations

*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.*

Charge 1. Falsified documentation/ Abandonment

While working as an RN at Nexus Specialty Hospital in Shenandoah Texas, Roshanda failed to round on her patient and falsified documentation. Roshanda was ordered by the physician to do two hourly round checks on her patient to do hourly assessments such as vitals, pain, and focused assessments regarding the patient. The RN failed to follow physician orders resulting in her not checking on her patient for a total of seven hours. Roshanda falsely documented that she had been in the patients room, except at 02:00 when she was helping another nurse. With further investigation, camera footage showed that the RN was not in a room at 02:00, and had not been in her own patient room for the seven hours.

*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.*

As a nurse, it is our responsibility to complete hourly rounds on our patients to ensure that there is no sudden change or abnormal finding and if so that we can catch it on time to prevent further damage or injury to our patients. If Roshanda had followed her physician's order, and documented correctly this action would not have been taken against her. Roshanda abandoned her patient by not giving he/she the appropriate care that they needed. If her patient had any sudden change in their symptoms, she would have been responsible and could have gotten her license terminated.

*Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.*

The two universal competencies that the RN violated were Documentation and Human Caring. Roshanda falsely documented that she had been in her patients' room and had done all of her assessments. Roshanda

also violated the Human Caring by not spending time with the patient leading to her not involving the patient in their plan of care or being able to listen to the needs of the patient.

*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 would immediately notice that this nurse has not been in her patient's room and has not provided the appropriate nurse-to-patient care. I myself, would go into the patients' room to check on them, and to ensure that they are not needing anything, or they are not showing any abnormal signs or symptoms. I then would inform the nurse about the incident and tell her if the patient was complaining of any symptoms or showing signs of abnormalities. I would also inform the Charge Nurse of my findings, and report that my coworker is not providing the patient care and documentation that is needed.