

# Covenant School of Nursing

## Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

### Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Veronica Loera  
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Date: 08/30/2023

DAS Assignment #

Name of the defendant: Carmelita Amado

License number of the defendant: RN452890

Date action was taken against the license: 08/17/2009

Type of action taken against the license: Remedial Education.

*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.*

*On October 19, 2006 Carmelita Amado did not supervise a student nurse who was given permission by Carmelita to take a baby to its mother. The student nurse was supposed to take the baby to room 244 bed 1. Instead the student nurse took the baby to room 244 bed 2. The baby ended up being breast fed by the wrong mother. When Carmelita realized what happened, she took the baby to the correct mother without informing the mothers of this accident. Carmelita did not report this to the doctor or charge nurse. Carmelita ended up stating the student nurse told her he was familiar with hospital procedures and nurses also stated the student nurse was given permission to take the babies to the rooms the day before.*

*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 student nurse should not of had been allowed to take the babies to the rooms unsupervised. There should have been something along the lines of a check list that verifies the patient is with the correct mother, in the correct room instead of just handing the baby over to anybody. If the student nurse was supervised, the nurse could of also verified the patient is the correct room with the correct mother to avoid these accidents.*

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

*Safety and Security (Physical) Two patient identifiers. The mother was not asked what the baby's name is and its date of birth before handing the baby over.*

*Communication. The student nurse and Carmelita did not communicate with the patients mother to verify the correct baby is with the correct mother before handing over the baby. Carmelita should of communicated with her supervisors what happened, instead she chose to keep quiet.*

*Human Caring. The student nurse and Carmelita should of spent at least a few minutes with the mother and the baby asking if there are any questions about (stating the babys name), this could have been an alert by realizing the mother has been handed the wrong baby.*

*Professional Role. The nurse failed to interact with peers, staff, and patients mother along with the wrong mother as to what happened. Carmelita should of also been supervising the student nurse, if she had done so, the baby would have been placed with the correct mother.*

*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 discovered the student nurse placed a baby in the wrong mothers hands, I would of immediately told the charge nurse what happened. If I was given permission, I would explain to the wrong mother I have to ask few questions for the baby's safety, since it was breastfed. I would ask the if she does any recreational drugs or drinks alcohol and if so, what was the name of the drugs and when was the last time. If I was not allowed to ask those questions, I would ask the charge nurse if we are going to draw labs on the baby to see if there are any drugs in the baby's system.*