

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Priscilla Garcia

Date: 08/24/2023

DAS Assignment # 2

Name of the defendant: Andrea Aguila

License number of the defendant: 809635

Date action was taken against the license: 06/16/2015

Type of action taken against the license: Reprimand 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.

- Assigned staff to place restraints on patient without physician order.
- Failed to intervene as staff members physically removed patient from room.

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.

- *I believe If your patient is not in a sudden critical condition, or if your patient is not in immediate harm we should never act without a physician order.*
- *I believe if this nurse had communicated to her patient about the possibility of restraints and talked through the process it would have helped the situation.*
- *I believe this nurse should have never left her patient with the four technicians; it is always best to stay with your patient. She could have sent one of the technicians to go grab the charge nurse or supervisor.*

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

- *Safety and security: This nurse violated safety and security by not having a physician's order for restraints, This nurse also did not provide proper AIDET to this patient, discussing that restraints were going to be in use.*
- *Communication: This nurse violated communication by not communicating with the patient why restraints were going to be placed on this patient and she also did not utilize any type of communication styles that could have been used for this psychiatric patient. (I believe that once we as nurses work on a special unit we have a duty and diligence to learn how to properly communicate to the specialty of patients we have chosen to care for.)*
- *Critical Thinking: This nurse violated critical thinking by inappropriately assigning another staff member to place restraints on her patient. This nurse did not properly assess her patient and did not have good decision-making skills. I believe this nurse did not intervene to this patient's needs properly.*

- *Human caring: This nurse did not care for this patient with empathy and respect, as she had someone physically restrain her patient this could have a negative effect on her patient both mentally and physically. This nurse also did not care for her patient and may have broken her patients trust as a caregiver as she watched other staff physically and mentally mistreat her patient.*
- *Professional role: This nurse violated professional role by not interacting correctly with staff, letting other staff harm your patient or mistreat your patient is not professional.*

Use the space below to describe what action you think a prudent nurse would take as the first 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 believe at this time a prudent nurse would immediately report the sudden misuse of restraints, monitor the patient for adverse effects, and do assessments on the patients physical and mental status. I also believe a prudent nurse would offer a professional caring relationship to this patient.