

Covenant School of Nursing  
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment  
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Mireya Ocegueda    Date: 11/13/23

DAS Assignment # 4

Name of the defendant: Lyna Lopez

License number of the defendant: 657132

Date action was taken against the license: August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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.*

Charge I:

On September 7 through September 8, 2011, while Lyna was employed with Covenant Health System in Lubbock Texas, the defendant falsely documented nursing assessment of patient #1 that she did not perform. This action created an inaccurate medical record that other caregivers were relying on to provide ongoing medical care. This action by the defendant deprived the patient of timely detection and intervention in the event the patient experienced a change in condition.

Charge II:

On September 7 through September 8, 2011, while Lyna was employed with Covenant Health System in Lubbock Texas, the defendant once again falsely documented nursing assessments of patient #2 that she did not perform. Lyna also falsely documented the administration of medications on the eMAR when these medications were not removed from the Pyxis.

Charge III:

On September 13 through September 14, 2011, while Lyna was employed with Covenant Health System in Lubbock Texas, the defendant falsely documented nursing assessment of patient #2 that she did not actually perform on the patient once again. Consequently, the oncoming staff nurse found patient #2 was wet due to the needle becoming dislodged from her port where she was receiving TPN. The defendant's conduct deprived the patient of timely detection and intervention in the event the patient experienced a change of condition.

*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.*

In my opinion, if Lyna would have taken her time to do the assessments before ever documenting anything, it would have prevented her patients being neglected by other caregivers without them even knowing. It seems like she just wanted her work to be easy, that's why she would document assessments that weren't done yet, to make it seem like she was doing her job, when in reality, she was only neglecting her patients.

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

Safety and Security- She wasn't taking proper care of her patients, wasn't assessing them like she was documenting.

Documentation- She was falsely documenting assessments and medication administration.

Human Caring- Her patients were getting neglected by her and by other caregivers that were relying on her documentation.

Professional Role- She was being dishonest and did not maintain integrity when documenting.

*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 have immediately reported the incident to my charge nurse and file an incident report. Taking care of your patients should be a nurse's priority, it is very sad to see how she wanted to take the easy way out of doing her job and ended up being dishonest about her documentation. It ultimately feels like she didn't care much about her patients.