

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: **Andrea Nicole Johnson** Date: 8/25/23 DAS Assignment # 4 (1-4)

Name of the defendant: License number of the defendant: Vanessa Hale: 813953

Date action was taken against the license: 9/21/2016

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.

Respondent failed to deliver the patient's vital signs with an elevated blood pressure. Regarding a separate patient they forgot to chart the IV fluid administration. Respondent had also failed to notify the physician about the pt urine output. Their lack of notifying the physician to alarming changes put her patient in danger.

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.

She should have been at her job. Mentally she should have been focused in and focusing on their patients. She could have refocused herself on her job and on doing it correctly. Keep making sure all Nurses stay at the level of knowledge required for the job. Do random check ups to make sure all is being done as it should be. Evaluating in a schedule and randomized pattern to test nurses on their knowledge.

Identify which universal competencies were violated and explain how.

She violated safety because she could not promote respect and trust. She failed multiple times to do an action that would have in some way alerted the physician to what the patients current needs were. She didn't do the standard precautions for a Urinary catheter insertion. If she had then she would have waited for a continuous void into the folly before leaving. Even if there was urine in the beginning she

should have been by to check on her patients urine output before leaving her care into the next shift's hands. She didn't change her communication with her patients' needs. She remained slow and not doing things as they should be done. She should have utilized her resources and had another nurse check her work if they were unsure at all about their work. Respondents had failed to provide the information that could have helped to stabilize the patient's blood pressure. Failed to communicate vital information that would have saved her patient from a cesarean birth due to a distended bladder because the foley wasn't emptying. She didn't prioritize her tasks because if she had then her pt info would have been charted before the end of the shift. Failed to document her findings in a timely manner keeping important information from the patients care team. Was not prepared to do the required tasks of her shift and failed to do what is expected of a nurse.

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 was there I would have been checking my patients chart or helping to make sure that all vitals are charted when they are needed. They didn't manage supplies well because the patient didn't need multiple fluid bolus'; they needed someone to check the accuracy of a job. Like the PICC or subclavian team do they verify that the device is in the right area to do the job. Had the catheter been checked for accurate placement the pt wouldn't have had a distended bladder. I would have told the charge nurse what I found and we would go from there to help the patient.