

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Ivy Bororio

Date: 01/24/2024

DAS Assignment # 2

Name of the defendant: Stephanie Cole

License number of the defendant: 879949

Date action was taken against the license: 06/11/2019

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.*

Falsely documented the administration of Oxycodone to a patient. Misappropriated Oxycodone belonging to a patient. Tested positive for opiates drug screen while on duty. Provided individual control drug records for patients with falsified signatures of five nurses.

- *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 nurse should have administered the Oxycodone to the patient and properly documented it afterwards. If she had an addiction to opiates she should have sought help immediately instead of diverting the patient's medicine. For the falsified signatures, the nurse was probably doing something wrong that's why she didn't get real signatures from the nurses, therefore, the nurse should have done the right thing to avoid giving false signatures.

- *Identify ALL universal competencies were violated and explain how.*

Safety and Security - The nurse diverted the patient's medicine so the patient didn't get the right dose which could cause the pt harm. She falsely documented having given the oxycodone which violates one of the seven rights which could harm the pt if other nurses and physicians relied on that information. She tested positive for opiates while at work which impairs the nurse's ability to do her duties and puts the pt in harm.

Documentation - The nurse falsely documented giving the oxycodone when she didn't which could harm the patient if other healthcare workers relied on that information.

Professional role - The nurse failed to perform duties of a professional nurse like putting the patient at risk for harm by failing to administer the oxycodone as ordered. She tested positive for opiates while at work which impairs the nurse's ability to do her professional duties

- *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 realized that the nurse took the patient's oxycodone instead of administering it I would immediately report to the charge nurse. Afterwards, if it was my patient, I would check their vital signs to make sure they were fine and then inform the physician that the patient did not receive the right dose of their medicine.