

Covenant School of Nursing
Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment
Instructional Module 2

Student Name: **Best Student Nurse, Ever!**

Date: February 2020

DAS Assignment # **100**

Name of the defendant: **Not Sure, RN**

License number of the defendant: **10101010**

Date action was taken against the license: **10/12/57**

Type of action taken against the license: **HIPAA**

- *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.*

The respondent took a picture of a patient without their consent. As argued by the respondent she thought you could take a picture of the patient if there were no identifiers. However even though she wanted the picture for “educational purposes” she should have gotten the patients consent.

- *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 think if the nurse were to get a written consent from the patient, it wouldn't have been a HIPPA violation.

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

The nurse broke the universal competencies, Safety and security and Human Caring. She did not provide the patient privacy by taking a picture of her without her knowing. The nurse also lost her trust/respect.

- *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 ever in the current situation of knowing a nurse was violating someone's privacy by taking pictures of them, I would inform them they were violating HIPAA. I would also have to report it to the charge nurse/chain of command.