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# Disciplinary Action Summary

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**Joshua  
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License # 760098

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# What Happened?

Date : 5/14/2019

Action Taken : Enforced Suspension

In July of 2013, while working at Mainland Medical, Nurse Joshua was found to lack the fitness needed to safely practice nursing. While working he was unsteady, pale, eyes not opened all the way, slurred speech, incomprehensible sentences, and found with an IV catheter sticking out of his leg with a 10 ml syringe attached.

In April of 2014, Nurse Joshua was now working at worked at Bayshore Medical in Pasadena, Texas. He was found again to be unfit to safely practice. He was found to be unresponsive on the floor with a 10 ml syringe in his arm. It was found that he had taken narcotics from the facility and patients needing them. Nurse Joshua admitted to withdrawing syringes of narcotics from the patients hanging IV bags while they were being administered. His drug screening was positive for Propofol on the day he was found unresponsive at work.

In April of 2016, Nurse Joshua had moved to Bayshore Medical in Webster, Texas, and was found excessively sweaty and falling asleep while working many times. He was then once again, found taking narcotics from the facility and patients who needed them.

# Measures to Prevent

There are many measures that could have been taken to avoid the actions taken by Nurse Joshua. Nurse Joshua clearly needed help. If he had gotten the help he needed, he might not have resorted to excessive drug use and thievery. It is stated that formal charges were filed in April of 2017. If the charges were filed after the first offense, the other offenses could have been prevented and there could have been less potential harm to patients.

# 5 Universal Competencies Breached

**Safety and Security** were failed when Nurse Joshua injected himself with narcotics while taking care of patients. His patients were not safe or secure under his care while heavily under the influence of narcotics.

**Standard Precaution** was utterly failed due to the fact he was taking care of patients with an IV he gave himself with a syringe of narcotics in it. The contaminated materials were not even disposed of because he injected himself and left it in there.

**Communication** was failed because he was incoherent while intoxicated. His speech was slurred and he failed to make complete sentences. He was unable to safely communicate to his patients and coworkers.

**Critical Thinking** was absolutely failed when he chose to withdraw narcotics from IV bags that patients were actively getting administered to them and then proceeding to inject himself with those narcotics at work.

**Human Caring** was failed because Nurse Joshua chose to spend his time injecting himself with stolen Propofol, resulting in him passing out cold, rather than safely taking care of his patients.

# What Would I have Done?

If I had seen Nurse Joshua walking around with a mysterious syringe coming out of his leg or arm, I would have asked him what he was doing and why there was a syringe sticking out of his body. I would check on all of his patients to make sure they were not in any danger from his actions. I then would have reported him immediately to the Charge Nurse and House Supervisor.

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**“WINNERS DON’T USE DRUGS”**

William S. Sessions, Director, FBI

Thank you!