

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Reagan Swinburn Date: Aug 19, 2024 DAS Assignment # 1 _____

Name of the defendant: **Lester Blackshear Collins IV** License number of the defendant: **727562**

Date action was taken against the license: **February 14, 2023**

Type of action taken against the license: **Warning with Stipulations**

- *Use the space below to describe the events that 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.*
Mr Collins failed to document a complete set of vitals and a complete respiratory assessment on a patient. 3 days later, he accepted a verbal order for albumin and was unable to document the withdrawal and administering of albumin to the patient. He claims that the charge nurse assisted this action and when he went to document, the bottle was unscannable.
Charge 1, The respondent failed to document a complete set of vitals and respiratory assessment on his patient.
Charge 2, the respondent failed to document the admin of albumin, disregarding that it was a verbal order, knowing that he should not have accepted that without documentation.
Mr Collins failed to “implement measures to promote a safe environment”, failed to “acknowledge and conform to the Nurse Practice Act”, and failed to “accurately and completely report and document.”
According to 22 Tex admin Code 217.11 and 217.12
- *Use the space below to describe 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.*

If the respondent had delegated time to chart and taken action with med admin, it would have prevented these actions from taking place. Also, seeing that the occurrences were close together date-wise, knowing there were several admits and transfers, I feel it should have been more important to ensure he was responsible while dealing with a hectic work environment to ensure patients' safety.

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

Respondent violated safety and security(documentation) competency and critical thinking when he failed to document a set of vitals and complete a respiratory assessment.

He also violated documentation competency and critical thinking when he failed to document/scan the albumin admin after using the override function. Communication competency was also violated when

he acted on a verbal order(although CN was present). Respondent failed to document vitals and respiratory assessment.

- *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 were to find this out, I would tell authority and hope that action would be taken. Although the patient wasn't harmed, there could have been future injuries and possible fatalities. If I knew the nurse, I may personally remind them in the future, "hey don't forget to document" or something along those lines.