

Meredith Neal Gray

RN License

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What happened ?

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Situation occurred October 2011 – December 19, 2011

RN lacked fitness to practice nursing due to exhibiting impaired behaviors

Falling asleep on duty which allowed her to not recognize subtle signs and symptom changes in her patients

RN failed a drug screen testing positive for Carisoprodol/ meprobamate (soma)

RN was nodding off during staff meeting which led to faculty questioning her

RN had an evaluation by MD which said she had narcolepsy

RN stated she accidentally had taken her husbands Soma

How could it have been prevented ?



- Nurse could have taken the appropriate medication prescribed to her, if the medication was her husband's she should have paid closer attention to the medication she was taking.
- RN also could have participated in an appropriate drug rehab which could have possibly prevented her license from getting revoked.

Universal competencies breached



Safety and security
(physical and emotional)



Professional role



Human caring

What would I do ?



I would immediately notify the charge nurse if I felt any suspicion of a coworker working under the influence



I would also try to speak to the nurse manager on the floor.

THANK YOU

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