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IN RE: **KIMBERLY COMPARETTO** )  
       of North Yarmouth, Maine )     **CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR**  
       License #R037812         )     **SUSPENSION OF LICENSE**

**INTRODUCTION**

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Kimberly A. Comparetto's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine, entered into pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A and 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Kimberly A. Comparetto, the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General. This Consent Agreement arose out of an informal conference held on September 10, 1998 to discuss the complaint received by the Board on June 2, 1998.

**FACTS**

1. Kimberly Comparetto has been practicing as a registered professional nurse for four years.
2. Kimberly Comparetto engaged in a relationship with a former psychiatric patient during the period from September, 1997 until May, 1998.
3. Kimberly Comparetto was terminated from St. Mary's Hospital because of her relationship with the former patient and for failure to follow hospital policy and resigned from Shoreline Community Mental Health Services because of her relationship with the former patient from St. Mary's Hospital.
4. Kimberly Comparetto admits that her conduct beginning a relationship with a former patient was unprofessional and accepts full responsibility for her actions.
5. The patient claims that he was harmed by his relationship with Kimberly Comparetto.
6. Kimberly Comparetto admits that she failed to disclose pertinent information from the patient to the treatment team.

**AGREEMENT**

7. **Violations:** Ms. Comparetto's conduct constitutes incompetence and unprofessional conduct within the meaning of 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(E)(1) and (2)(F).



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8. **Suspension:** Kimberly Comparetto agrees and understands that her license to practice professional nursing shall be suspended for a minimum period of one year.
9. **Reinstatement:** After one year from the effective date of this Agreement, the Board will consider, upon Ms. Comparetto's written request, whether to reinstate Ms. Comparetto's license on probationary status. Ms. Comparetto agrees and understands that upon application for reinstatement of her license, Ms. Comparetto will be required to show that she continued in counseling for the period of time deemed necessary by her counselor, and will be required to provide evidence of education related to therapeutic boundaries. Ms. Comparetto further agrees and understands that any reinstatement of her license will be subject to probation with conditions and that a condition of her probation will be that any violation of her conditions will result in automatic revocation of license. Other terms of the probation and conditions will be determined by the Board at the time of reinstatement.
10. **Further Action:** The Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts provided that Ms. Comparetto fully complies with the conditions.
11. **Miscellaneous Provisions:** Ms. Comparetto understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her right to practice nursing in Maine. This Consent Agreement may be amended only in writing, signed by all the parties. Ms. Comparetto understands that she does not have to execute this Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering this Consent Agreement. Ms. Comparetto affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
12. **Effective Date:** This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the last necessary signature below.

DATED: 10/20/98

Kimberly Comparetto  
KIMBERLY COMPARETTO

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF  
NURSING:

DATED: Oct 21, 1998

Myra A. Broadway  
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FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY  
GENERAL:

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