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IN RE: MARY A. GAGE, R.N.)	
of Waterville, Maine)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
License #R020714)	FOR WARNING

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Mary A. Gage's license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(A), 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(A-1)(1) and § 8003(5)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Mary A. Gage ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. An informal conference was held with the Licensee on December 14, 2005. The parties reached this agreement based upon information submitted by OakGrove Rehabilitation and Living Center in a provider report dated October 1, 2004.

FACTS

- 1. Mary A. Gage has been a registered professional nurse licensed to practice in Maine since 1977.
- 2. Mary A. Gage disregarded instructions from the administrator at OakGrove Rehabilitation and Living Center, who is also a registered professional nurse not to start a patient's IV. Ms. Gage started the IV without a physician's order.
- 3. Mary A. Gage failed to report or ensure that a report was made to a patient's physician that a medication error had occurred. The medication error occurred when IV fluids were ordered to be administered to the patient over a ten hour period beginning at 3:00 p.m.. The IV was not started until 9:30 p.m. and the fluid had completely run by the time the 11-7 nurse had been given a report at 1:30 a.m. In addition, there was no documentation of the error.
- 4. Mary A. Gage failed to do skin assessments on newly admitted patients within the time required.

AGREEMENT

5. Mary A. Gage understands that her conduct in the above stated facts constitutes grounds for discipline under Title 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter 4.1.A.6., and Chapter 4.3.F. of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. Mary A. Gage is hereby formally **WARNED** for unprofessional conduct for failing to follow policies and procedures in a practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.



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- 6. Mary A. Gage understands that this Consent Agreement imposes discipline in the form of a warning regarding her license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. Gage understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.
- 7. Mary A. Gage affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
- 8. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all the parties.
- 9. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee.
- 10. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, MARY A. GAGE, R.N., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: /-/3-06

MARY A. GAGE, R.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: Jan. 18, 2006

MYRA/A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.

Executive Director

DATED: 19, Z00 8

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