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IN RE: PATRICIA A. PARKER)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Ellsworth, Maine)	FOR VOLUNTARY
License No. P00389)	SURRENDER OF LICENSE

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Patricia A. Parker's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A (1-A) (C), 32 M.R.S.A. § 2153-A (1), 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5) (B), (5) (D), and Chapter 4.1.C.2. of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The parties to this Consent Agreement are Patricia A. Parker ("Licensee" or "Ms. Parker"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The Board met with Ms. Parker in an Informal Conference on November 20, 2007. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of information submitted by Birchwood Living Center, Yesterday's Children Inc ("Yesterday's Children") located in Ellsworth, Maine, which is attached to a Notice of Complaint or Provider Report dated March 27, 2006. The Notice of Complaint or Provider Report is incorporated within this Consent Agreement and attached hereto and marked as Exhibit A.

FACTS

- 1. Patricia A. Parker has been a licensed practical nurse licensed to practice in Maine since 1971.
- 2. Patricia A. Parker's employment was terminated from Yesterday's Children on February 18th, 2006, because of her lack of competence in the administration of medications to patients involving five (5) documented incidents of medication errors within a three week period. Ms. Parker made multiple medication errors by administering the wrong medication or omitting the administration of medications to patients.
- 3. Patricia A. Parker admits that she has a substance abuse problem and doesn't feel safe in providing nursing services to patients.
- 4. Patricia A. Parker has offered to surrender her practical nursing license voluntarily, in lieu of an adjudicatory hearing before the Board.



AGREEMENT

- 5. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Patricia A. Parker's offer to voluntary surrender her practical nurse license.
- 6. Patricia A. Parker understands that based upon the above-stated facts this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. She also understands that should this matter go to hearing, it is more likely than not that the facts would support the Board's facts in this agreement. The grounds for discipline for violations under 32 M.R.S.A.§ 2105-A(2)(E)(1), (2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter 4, sections 1(A)(5)(a), 1(A)(6), 1(A)(8) and Chapter 4, sections 3(F), and 3(K) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing.
- 7. Patricia A. Parker agrees and understands that her license will remain on surrender status and subject to the terms of this Consent Agreement indefinitely until and unless the Board, at Ms. Parker's written request, votes to reinstate Ms. Parker's license. Ms. Parker agrees and understands that if the Board reinstatements her license, it will be for a probationary period.
- 8. The State of Maine is a "party state" that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The State of Maine is Ms. Parker "home state" of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that Ms. Parker has declared that the State of Maine is her fixed permanent and principle home for legal purposes; her domicile. Other party states that are in the Compact are referred to as a "remote state," which means a party state, other than the home state that has adopted the Compact. Ms. Parker understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice nursing in the State of Maine and any remote party state in the Nurse Licensure Compact. Ms. Parker 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 the Consent Agreement.
- 9. Patricia A. Parker shall not work or volunteer, in any capacity, for a health care provider as defined by Title 24 M.R.S.A. § 2502 (2) or in any position holding herself out as a licensed practical nurse or with the designation, L.P.N.
- 10. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.
- 11. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.

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- 12. Patricia A. Parker affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
- 13. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, PATRICIA A. PARKER, 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: __//17/08

PATRICIA A. PARKER

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: Jan 18, 2008

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

Executive Director

DATED: 104, 22,2008

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