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IN RE: MARGARET S. VAN PEURSEM, RN)
 of Brewer, ME)
 License No. RN44088)

CONSENT AGREEMENT
 FOR
 WARNING

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement ("Agreement") regarding Margaret S. Van Peurseem's license as a Registered Professional Nurse ("RN") in the State of Maine. The Parties to this Agreement are Margaret S. Van Peurseem ("Licensee" or "Ms. Van Peurseem"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The Parties met in an informal conference on April 11, 2012 and reached this Agreement on the basis of a Board Complaint dated December 20, 2011, with an attached Provider Report from Eastern Maine Medical Center ("EMMC") dated November 21, 2011. The Parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A-(1-A) (A) and 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5) (B).

FACTS

1. Margaret S. Van Peurseem has been an RN licensed to practice in Maine since August 30, 1999.
2. Margaret S. Van Peurseem is employed by EMMC as an RN and received a one-week (three work shifts) suspension without pay for substandard nursing documentation, which was reported to the Board pursuant to 24 M.R.S. §2506.
3. Margaret S. Van Peurseem admits that the documentation incidents reported by EMMC pertaining to her administration of controlled substances and failure to assess her patients subsequent to the administration of medications were substandard nursing practices.
4. Margaret S. Van Peurseem has agreed to resolve this matter by entering into this Agreement and waives her rights to a hearing.

AGREEMENT

5. Margaret S. Van Peurseem acknowledges that the Board has evidence from which it could conclude there is a violation of Title 32 M.R.S. §2105-A(2)(F) and (2)(H) and Chapter 4.1.A.6. and 4.1.A.8. of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board Rules"). She acknowledges that her conduct in the above-stated facts constitutes grounds for discipline. Ms. Van Peurseem is hereby formally **WARNED** for these violations. Specifically, the violations are:

a. 32 M.R.S. §2105-A (2)(F). Ms. Van Peurseem engaged in unprofessional conduct by violating a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice of nursing. See also: Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.6.

b. 32 M.R.S. §2105-A(2)(H). Ms. Van Peurseem violated a Maine Revised Statute in Title 32, Chapter 31 and rules adopted by the Board. See also: Board Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.8.

c. Board Rule: Chapter 4, Section 3 defines "Unprofessional Conduct" as *nursing behavior which fails to conform to legal standards of the nursing profession, which could reflect adversely on the health and welfare of the public, which includes:*



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Chapter 4, Section 3(F). Ms. Van Peurse failed to follow policies and procedures designed to safeguard patients at EMMC in that she failed to follow appropriate standards of nursing practice for patient care and safety.

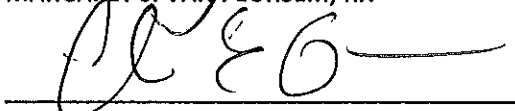
6. The State of Maine is a "Party state" that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The State of Maine is Ms. Van Peurse's "Home state" of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that she has declared Maine as her fixed permanent and principle home for legal purposes; her domicile. Other Party states in the Compact are referred to as "Remote states," which means Party states other than the Home state that have adopted the Compact. Ms. Van Peurse understands this Agreement is subject to the Compact.
7. Margaret S. Van Peurse understands that she does not have to execute this Agreement and has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into the Agreement.
8. Modification of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all Parties.
9. This Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by Ms. Van Peurse.
10. This Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408.
11. This Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, MARGARET S. VAN PEURSEM, RN, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THE EFFECT IT WILL HAVE ON MY NURSING LICENSE. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, AND INTELLIGENTLY AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 8/22/12

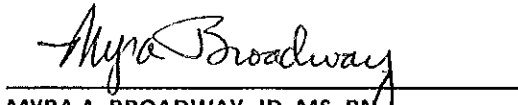

MARGARET S. VAN PEURSEM, RN

DATED: 8-22-12


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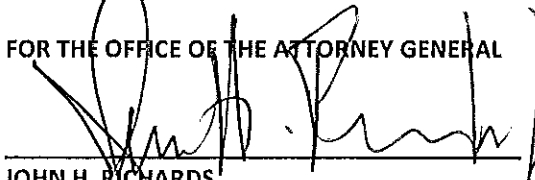
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