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May 25, 2017

**CERTIFIED MAIL
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Stephanie Guidry
117 Bradford Drive
Carencro, LA 70520

Dear Ms. Guidry:

The Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners (LSBPNE) has received information alleging that you have violated the law relating to the practice of practical nursing. A summary of the accusations being made against you is as follows:

On May 12, 2017, the board received a new report from The Blake at Lafayette indicating that you were arrested after officers found 11 unopened packets of drugs in your possession that were property of the Blake Memory Care residents.

You were arrested and charged with the following:

- Sale/distribution/possession of a legal drug without a prescription – 23 counts
- Cruelty to the infirmed – 11 counts
- Theft – 11 counts
- Domestic abuse – 3 counts
- Aggravated assault – 1 count
- Littering – 1 count
- Simple criminal damage – 1 count
- Domestic abuse battery – 1 count

Upon review of resident charts, you documented that all residents in question were administered their medications as required.

Information received from The Blake of Lafayette indicated that you were verbally counseled on or about April 20, 2017, for the following:

- Left medications (Ampicillin and Aleve) near nursing office – charted as administered
- Medications left on hall 1 cart – not administered
- Accuchecks on AL2 – not performed

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Louisiana Revised Statutes, 49:961 (C), in pertinent part, provides: "If the agency finds that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, and incorporates a finding to the effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action." LSA-R.S. 49:961(C).

The Board has determined that the allegations against you are sufficiently serious to **summarily suspend your practical nursing license**, in accordance with the above cited authority, and hereby, issues the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that based on the information and/or record(s) obtained by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, and a finding "that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action", in accordance with LSA-R.S. 49:961(C), the LPN license of the above named respondent, **Stephanie Guidry, license #20140357**, is hereby summarily suspended, pending proceedings for revocation or other action, in accordance with Louisiana law.



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You must immediately cease and desist the practice of practical nursing and return your current practical nursing license to the Board office.

The Board will schedule your case for the next available formal hearing and will notify you by mail of the date and time. Moreover, the Board will continue its investigation of the allegations against you, about which you will be notified by Formal Complaint, to determine if you are in violation of the following:

2. being guilty of a crime;
3. being unfit, or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other causes;
4. being habitually intemperate or addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs;
8. being guilty of unprofessional conduct;
 - a. failure to practice practical nursing in accordance with the standards normally expected;
 - b. failure to utilize appropriate judgment in administering nursing practice;
 - c. failure to exercise technical competence in carrying out nursing care;
 - g. improper use of drugs, medical supplies, or patients' records;
 - h. misappropriating personal items of an individual or the agency;
 - i. falsifying records;

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- j. intentionally committing any act that adversely affects the physical or psychosocial welfare of the patient;
- n. being convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability of the nurse to practice practical nursing with due regard for the health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding including, but not limited to, expungement or nonadjudication or pardon;
- o. being guilty of moral turpitude;
- p. inappropriate, incomplete or improper documentation;
- q. using or being under the influence of alcohol, while on duty, and/or while making application for employment, or using or being under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty, or using or being under the influence of illegal drugs whether on or off duty;
- t. violating any provisions of R.S. 37:961 et seq. (the practical nursing practice act), as amended or aiding or abetting therein.

Louisiana Revised Statute, Title 37, Chapter 11. Nurses, Part II. Practical Nurses, Section 969, et. seq.

Furthermore, you should immediately submit to our office a detailed narrative response to the new allegations received from the Blake of Lafayette.

The board also requires that you obtain a State and F.B.I. criminal record background check. Information on how to obtain those records is enclosed.

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