INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Stephanie L. Carter’s license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(A-D)(1), § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(A) and (B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Stephanie L. Carter (“Licensee”), Maine State Board of Nursing (“Board”) and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. An informal conference was held on October 4, 2000. The parties reached this Agreement following an informal conference on the basis of information submitted by Christopher Welings, M.D. from the Greater Portland Medical Group, Spurwink Office by letters dated February 19, 1999 and March 10, 1999.

FACTS

1. Stephanie L. Carter has been a registered professional nurse licensed by the Board to practice in Maine since 1997.

2. Stephanie L. Carter admits that she ordered Buspar from the pharmacy without a valid physician’s order.

3. The Buspar was not administered to the patient.

4. The Board finds that Ms. Carter failed to take appropriate action and to follow policies and procedures in the nursing practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.

AGREEMENT

5. Stephanie L. Carter agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F) and (2)(H). Stephanie L. Carter is hereby WARNED. Ms. Carter is hereby WARNED because she failed to take appropriate action and to follow policies and procedures in the nursing practice designed to safeguard a patient.

6. Stephanie L. Carter understands that this Consent Agreement imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. Carter 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. Stephanie L. Carter 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, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.

10. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

   I, STEPHANIE L. CARTER, 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: 11-2-00
   STEPHANIE L. CARTER, R.N.

   DATED: 11-12-00
   LAURENCE P. MINOTT, JR., ESQ.
   Attorney for Stephanie M. Carter, R.N.

   DATED: Nov 17, 2000
   MYRA BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.
   Executive Director

   DATED: 11/16/12
   JOHN H. RICHARDS, ESQ.
   Assistant Attorney General

   FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

   FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL