ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT
WITH MANDATED HPAP

WHEREAS, Samantha Jo Deome, RN, ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds license number R035288; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2012, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") accepted a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order signed by the Licensee on May 16, 2012, after the Licensee reported to work impaired under the influence of alcohol in March 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Voluntary Surrender Consent Order suspended the Licensee’s RN license for an indefinite period subject to a reinstatement request pursuant to SDCL § 36-9-59, as the Board in its discretion may determine; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a reinstatement request in writing dated June 28, 2013. Licensee presented documentation supporting her reinstatement, including an employer report, counselor report, treatment report, and letter of support. The Board was also provided with an evaluation report from the Health Professionals Assistance Program
(“HPAP”) dated July 15, 2013. Susan Harris of HPAP provided testimony and answered questions in regard to the HPAP report and recommendation. Licensee also provided testimony and answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the statement and documents provided by the Licensee, the previous Orders, the HPAP report, as well Licensee’s own testimony, and, being fully advised in the premises;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That the Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Licensee and the subject matter of this Order.

2. That the Licensee’s license to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota is hereby reinstated with mandated HPAP for a period of sixty (60) months of active practice as a registered nurse.

3. The Board hereby mandates Licensee’s continued participation in the Health Professionals Assistance Program for a period of five (5) years with credit given for time of previous successful participation in the program.

4. All terms and conditions as well as clearance to return to employment and any restrictions on access to narcotics shall be set by the HPAP, and the Licensee shall fully comply with all of those terms and conditions.
5. The Licensee shall notify the Board, as well as the HPAP, in writing, within one (1) week of any change in nursing employment, personal address, and/or telephone number.

6. Licensee shall pay for all costs and expenses in carrying out the terms and conditions of HPAP.

7. That within ten (10) days of the effective date of this order, Licensee shall be issued her RN license by the Board office.

8. If the Licensee violates and terms of this reinstatement, the Licensee agrees that the Board may take such action against Licensee’s license as the Board deems necessary, up to and including an immediate suspension, revocation, or other disciplinary action.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Reinstatement Order with Mandated HPAP was adopted by the South Dakota Board of Nursing on the 18th day of July, 2013 by a vote of 11 - 0, one abstention.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS
Executive Director