SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE

PROCEEDINGS

LETTER OF REPRIMAND

RE: DAVA L. MIER, RN

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License No. R032491,

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TO: Da

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Utica, SD 57087

The South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") met in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for its regular meeting on July 13, 2012. At that meeting the Board was advised of the informal meeting which was held between you and Board staff on June 19, 2012 in which you admitted that while on duty at a specialty hospital, you left the premises to go to an ATM machine, leaving patients in the care of a patient care technician.

Based on the information provided to the Board, the Board has determined that your conduct constitutes patient abandonment, as well as inappropriate delegation, and is also in violation of SDCL § 36-9-49(5), (7) and (10).

Therefore, the Board, according to the disciplinary procedures outlined in ARSD 20:48:08, issues this Letter of Reprimand.

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This final action is reportable discipline and will be published in the Board's newsletter, posted on its website, and reported into the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB) and National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) as required by law.

As this is a reportable discipline, you are required to provide an affirmative response to inquiries of disciplinary action on further renewals and other nursing related inquiries.

Dated this _______ day of July 2012.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Director