



## SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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Mr. Penning:

The South Dakota Board of Nursing met in Sioux Falls, SD for its regularly scheduled meeting on April 7 & 8, 2005. The Board was informed of your nursing practice issues at that time.

Based upon the information outlined above, the Board determined you were in violation of SDCL § 36-9-49. As a result, the Board ordered this Letter of Reprimand be issued to you in accordance with disciplinary proceedings outlined in ARSD 20:48:08 with a copy of the Reprimand placed in your nursing file at the Board office. This final action of the Board will be published in the Board of Nursing newsletter and posted on the Board of Nursing web site as required by Administrative Rules of South Dakota.

Additionally, the Board ordered you to complete five learning modules Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Ethics of Nursing Practice, Disciplinary Actions: What Every Nurse Should Know, Documentation: A critical Aspect of Client Care, and Medication Errors: Detection and Prevention. You are responsible to purchase and complete these modules and return them to the Board office, no later than September 1, 2005, with a successful certificate of completion. You can register for these modules on the following web site: [www.learningext.com](http://www.learningext.com)

In the future, when you complete your South Dakota license renewal form, you must answer "yes" to the following question:

*Has your license or certification in any state or Canadian province been denied, revoked, suspended, stipulated, placed on probation or otherwise subjected to any type of disciplinary action?*

When answering "yes" to a question on your renewal form explain the dates and circumstances on a separate piece of paper and submit along with your other renewal forms.

If you have any questions related to this matter please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Andrew Albers  
Nursing Practice Specialist