SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSURE
PROCEEDINGS

RE: MEGHAN SUE ROSENBAUM, RN
License No. R041615,
Licensee.

STIPULATED AGREEMENT
FOR SUSPENSION WITH
REMEDICATION

WHEREAS, Meghan Sue Rosenbaum, RN ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the state of South Dakota and holds license number R041615; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 28, 2014, the Licensee self-reported that while caring for a post-surgical patient, she knowingly administered multiple doses of fentanyl to the patient when that patient did not have an order for fentanyl. In fact, the fentanyl had been ordered for another patient. Licensee admitted to falsifying the documentation on each patient’s charts to reconcile the administration of the fentanyl. The Licensee took morphine sulfate from the pyxis, which had been ordered for her own patient; however, she did not give the medication and wasted the medication without a second witness. Licensee attempted to chart the fentanyl as given to the patient it was ordered for under the name of the nurse who was caring for him. The Licensee admits that such conduct, acts, and omissions, which may have caused harm to the health and safety of persons entrusted
to her care, violated provisions of the rules and statutes regulating the practice of nursing and are in violation of SDCL § 36-9-49(5),(7), and (10); and

WHEREAS, the Licensee recognizes that these matters are of a nature which would constitute grounds for the discipline of her license to practice nursing in South Dakota and in other states under the Nurse Licensure Compact; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("the Board") has a statutory obligation to protect the health, safety, and welfare as set forth in SDCL § 36-9, including the protection of the public from unsafe nursing practices and practitioners; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee has expressed a desire to enter into this agreement with the Board without the necessity of additional formal disciplinary proceedings and hearings; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Stipulation to provide for a settlement of the licensing issues presented by Licensee’s conduct, in a professional manner, without the necessity of further hearings and proceedings herein, and to provide for responsible resolution; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

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

2. That the Licensee hereby agrees to a voluntary six (6) month suspension of her nursing license and her right to practice as a registered nurse in the state of South
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Dakota and her right to practice nursing pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact. Said suspension will begin on the date that this Stipulation is signed by the Licensee and is approved by the Executive Director of the Board of Nursing.

3. After six (6) months of suspension, the Licensee needs to request an appearance before the Board to obtain reinstatement of her license upon a showing of “good cause” as set forth in SDCL § 39-6-57. Licensee has the burden of presenting information showing that her license should be reinstated.

5. That if and when the Licensee seeks reinstatement, Licensee has the burden of presenting information showing that Licensee’s license should be reinstated.

6. During the suspension, the Licensee will be required to complete the following learning modules: (1) Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, and (2) Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing. The Licensee is responsible to purchase and complete these modules no later than six (6) months from the date of the approval of this Stipulation. Successful certificates of completion shall be returned to the Board. The Licensee can register for these modules on the following website: www.learningext.com.

7. It is further stipulated and agreed that this Stipulation and Order of Suspension with Remediation is being entered into voluntarily by the Licensee and without threats or coercion and is entered into after the Licensee has had ample opportunity to consider these matters and discuss this Stipulation and Order of Suspension with
Remediation with an attorney of Licensee's choice and the Licensee has a full understanding of the legal consequences of the Stipulation and Order of Suspension with Remediation and of the Licensee's right to a formal hearing on these matters, which rights are hereby waived by signing this Stipulation and Order of Suspension with Remediation.

8. This matter is reportable discipline and will be published in the Board's newsletter and posted on its website and reported into the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the foregoing Stipulation is entered into and respectfully submitted to the Board with a request that the Board adopt its terms as an order of the Board.

Dated this 25th day of June, 2014.

Meghan Sue Rosenbaum
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The South Dakota Board of Nursing met on the 12th day of June, 2014, and approved the attached Stipulation as written by a vote of 9-0, and hereby issues its Order for Suspension with Remediation consistent herein as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Stipulation is adopted as an Order of the South Dakota Board of Nursing this 13th day of July, 2014.

Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Board of Nursing