SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: JACQUELINE L. WONNENBERG, RN

License No. R024979

Licensee.

WHEREAS, Jacqueline L. Wonnenberg, RN ("Licensee"), was licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and held license number R024979; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2007, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") entered an Order of Suspension following a due process hearing held in Winner, South Dakota, on November 13, 2007. Said Order of Suspension is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Order of Suspension suspended the Licensee’s RN license for an indefinite period of time subject to a reinstatement request pursuant to SDCL § 36-9-57, as the Board in its discretion may determine; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a reinstatement request, in writing dated August 5, 2012, and personally appeared before the Board at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 18, 2012, at which time the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Board considered the evidentiary testimony of Jacqueline Wonnenberg and Roger Wonnenberg. The Licensee read into evidence, a letter from her current employer and read into evidence her written statement. Licensee also provided testimony and answered questions of the Board; and
WHEREAS, following that appearance, the Board deferred any action on the Licensee’s reinstatement request until she had undergone a psychological evaluation pursuant to SDCL § 36-9-49.1. This order was adopted by the Board on September 18, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Licensee, on October 8, 2012, underwent a psychological evaluation by Dr. J. Chris Nordgren; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2012, the Board met for its regularly scheduled meeting and reviewed the psychological evaluation. The Board, being fully advised in the premises, denied Licensee’s request for reinstatement. The Board concluded that at that time, the Licensee could not show good cause why her license should be reinstated. Consequently, Licensee’s request for reinstatement was denied; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee, on July 29, 2013, again requested reinstatement of her RN license. Licensee, however, withdrew her request on September 5, 2013, concluding that good cause could not be demonstrated; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2014, the Licensee again contacted the Board inquiring about steps she could take to assist with her request for reinstatement. At that time, the Licensee was given information regarding the South Dakota Health Professionals Assistance Program ("HPAP") and contact information on the program was provided; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2015, HPAP contacted the Board and offered letters in support for Licensee to complete the RN refresher course. Licensee successfully completed the RN refresher course on February 4, 2016; and
WHEREAS, on February 25, 2016, the Licensee again renewed her request for reinstatement. The matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board on April 21, 2016. The Licensee submitted an evaluation report from HPAP dated February 24, 2016, evidencing her participation and providing support for her active participation in the program and supporting her request for reinstatement at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the documents submitted, 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 as a single state license.

3. The Board hereby mandates Licensee’s continued participation in HPAP.

4. All terms and conditions as well as clearance to return to employment and any restrictions shall be set by the HPAP, and the Licensee shall fully comply with all of those terms and conditions.

5. Additionally, Licensee shall comply with the following conditions during the term of this order:

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CONDITIONS

1. Licensee shall at any time during the term of this order report in person to such meetings of the Board or to its designated representative as directed and otherwise fully cooperate with the Board or its representatives in terms of this order.

2. 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.

3. Licensee shall pay for all costs and expenses in carrying out conditions of HPAP.

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

5. During the term of this order, the Licensee is to immediately inform the Board of the outcome of any criminal charges presently or hereafter pending against the Licensee, and whether the Licensee has been convicted, pled no contest, nolo contendere, pled guilty to or been granted a deferred judgment or adjudication, suspended imposition of sentence with respect to a felony, misdemeanor or petty offense, other than minor traffic violations, that have not previously been reported to the Board.

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

7. Licensee shall not violate any law or regulation regarding the practice of nursing.

8. The Licensee shall not practice nursing in any state other than South Dakota, which is a party state to the Nurse Licensure Compact, without prior written authorization from
both the Board and the Nursing Regulatory Authority in the party state in which the Licensee desires to practice.

9. This order also affects Licensee's practice privilege to practice in South Dakota should Licensee change her home state under the Nurse Licensure Compact and Licensee’s practice privilege is subject to the same requirements set forth in this order as her South Dakota license.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Order of Reinstatement with Mandated HPAP was adopted by the South Dakota Board of Nursing on the 21st day of April, 2016, by a vote of 1-0.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Dangaard, RN, MS
Executive Director