# **DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT**

EDITORS: Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-114 requires the Department of Health to issue a monthly press release listing all disciplinary actions taken by the health related boards during the prior month. Below is a list of actions taken during the month of June 2008. *Detailed information about disciplinary actions is available on our web site at www.tennessee.gov/health. Click on "License Verification" and enter the name of the person. When the license information comes up, click on "disciplinary action" and then "view board order."* 

# **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

Licensee: Ashley Danielle Buckner, R.D.A., Philadelphia, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony,

conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; Any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this

chapter; and conviction of a felony.

Action: License granted and placed on Probation for one (1) year to run concurrent with

criminal sentence/ probation.

Licensee: Andre' Duriel Dandridge, R.D.A., Memphis, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony,

conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; Any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this

chapter; and conviction of a felony.

Action: License granted and placed on Probation for one (1) year; must gain and

maintain advocacy with Concerned Dental Professional Committee (CDPC);

must submit to criminal background check.

Licensee: Laurie Ann Pitt, R.D.A., Madisonville, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony,

conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; Any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this

chapter: conviction of a felony.

Action: License granted and placed on Probation for one (1) year to run concurrent with

criminal sentence/ probation.

Licensee: Renee Carmell Rufus, R.D.A., Memphis, TN

Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, Violation:

conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; Any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this

chapter; and conviction of a felony.

License granted and placed on Probation to run concurrent with criminal Action:

sentence/ probation.

# **BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Carestat Emergency Medical Services, Inc., Memphis TN Licensee:

Failure to report patient care which accurately reflects the evaluation and Violation:

treatment of each patient; performing or attempting to emergency care techniques or procedures without the proper permission, license, certification, training, medical direction, or otherwise engaging in unethical practices or conduct; assigning persons to perform functions contrary to this part or rules and regulations of the board; failure of the owner or provider of any ambulance or emergency medical service to ensure compliance by such service and its personnel with the provisions of this part and all regulations promulgated hereunder; records required to be kept by licensees and permittees: each ambulance service and invalid vehicle operator, licensed or permitted by the department shall maintain the following: run records; dispatch and run records shall be provided for every call to which an ambulance responds or when a patient is evaluated, treated, or transported; including information in accordance with the following requirements...; An ambulance equipment inventory shall be recorded not less than every three (3) days for each vehicle reflecting an accurate status of patient care equipment, safety devices, and supplies - Each service shall adopt forms or procedures appropriate to this purpose which shall be available for inspection reflecting status of a period of at least three (3) months; Each service shall require and document continuing education of at least twelve (12) hours for seventy-five percent (75%) of emergency car personnel; no person, either owner, agent, or otherwise, shall furnish, operate, conduct, maintain, advertise or otherwise engage in or profess to engage in the business or service of transporting patients upon the streets, highways or airways within this state, or the provision of emergency medical services in the state, unless such person complies with the provisions of this part and regulations pursuant to this part; EMS personnel shall exercise the skills and abilities needed to render appropriate emergency medical care and provide emergency medical services in accordance with authorized procedures in the respective level of training, and shall administer care to patients based upon knowledge and application of principles derived from accepted practice and medical approval, and shall fully comply with the board's regulations governing activities and performance for the category of license or certification; an EMT, physician or nurse shall accompany and attend every patient transported by ambulance in this state.

Action: License Revoked

Dana W. Frary, E.M.T-P., Cottontown, TN Licensee:

Violation: Assigned persons to perform functions contrary to this part or rule and

regulations of the board; unethical practices and conduct: delegating, assisting,

or advising a person to perform professional responsibilities or procedures when the licensee knows, or has reason to know, that such person is not qualified by

training, experience, or license to perform such procedures.

Action: License placed on Probation for two (2) years.

Licensee: Charles D. Hucklebee, E.M.T.IV, Knoxville, TN

Violation: Performed or attempted emergency care techniques or procedures permission,

license, certification, training, medical direction or otherwise engaged in unethical practices or conduct: Unethical practices and conduct; accepted and performed, or attempted to perform, professional responsibilities which the licensee knows,

or has reason to know, that he is not competent to perform.

Action: License placed on Probation for one (1) year.

# **BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

Licensee: Dennis Charles Arellano, Unlicensed, Tullahoma, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; unlicensed practice

Action: Assessed \$30,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs

# **BOARD OF NURSING**

Licensee: Suzy Bingham, L.P.N., Stantonville, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and

engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Revoked; assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: Deborah R. Brooks, L.P.N., Waverly, TN

Violation: Is guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; and engaging in acts of dishonesty

which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Revoked.

Licensee: Brenda Ciuffini, R.N., Hendersonville, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; the use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school,

institution, or other work place location; and being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while

on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location.

Action: License Revoked.

Licensee: Carol Cloyd, R.N., Johnson City, TN

Violation: Addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; and

practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Charlotte Eddings, R.N., Memphis, TN

Violation: Is guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; and engaging in acts of dishonesty

which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License placed on Probation for no less than two (2) years to run concurrent with

Federal Probation.

Licensee: Pamela Frontera, R.N., Centerville, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possession or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103; and

engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs.

Licensee: Kathryn B. Graves, L.P.N., Memphis, TN

Violation: Is guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate,

directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued

pursuant thereto.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Danielle Hart, L.P.N., Humboldt, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; guilty of

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and intervention for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possession or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work

place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of

nursing.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs.

Licensee: Sonja Hicks, L.P.N., Kingsport, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which

accurately reflects the nursing problems and interventions for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; failing to report, through proper channels, facts known to the individual regarding incompetent, unethical or illegal practice

of any health care provider.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Beverly Kay Huff, L.P.N., Counce, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; and action taken by another state.

Action: License Revoked, assessed \$3,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: William Jackson III, R.N., Monterey, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of

this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Brandy L. Jones, L.P.N., Friendsville, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause; has

violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any heath care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which

relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: James L. Jones, R.N., Powell, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; guilty of

unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and intervention for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name

and title of the nurse providing care; making false or materially incorrect,

inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possession or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103; and engaging in acts of dishonesty

which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Suspended for one (1) year; must meet certain terms and conditions;

assessed costs.

Licensee: Regina Keele, L.P.N., Maryville, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; intentionally or negligently causing physical or emotional injury to a patient; abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring nursing care; failing to take appropriate action in safeguarding the patient from incompetent health care practices; practicing practical nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-108; and engaging

in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License placed on Probation fo not less than one (1) year; employer must submit

quarterly reports on job performance

Licensee: Teresa Keller, A.P.N., R.N., Nashville, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and interventions for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; over-prescribing, or prescribing in a manner inconsistent with O.C.R.R.S.T. 1000-4-.08 and 1000-4-.09; professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103; prescribing, ordering, administering, or dispensing controlled substances for pain will be considered to be for a legitimate purpose if based upon accepted scientific knowledge of the treatment of pain, including intractable pain, not in contravention of applicable state or federal law, and if prescribed, ordered, administered, or dispensed in compliance with the following guidelines were appropriate and as is necessary to meet the individual needs of the patient; performed an appropriate history and physical examination; made a diagnosis based upon the examination and all diagnostic and laboratory tests consistent with good health care; formulated a therapeutic plan, and discussed it along the basis for it and the risks and benefits of various treatments options, a part of which might be the prescription or dispensed drug, with the patient; and insured availability of the Advanced Practice Nurse with proper authority to prescribe, or

coverage for the patient for appropriate follow-up care.

Action: A.P.N., license Revoked. R.N. license placed on Probation for one (1) year.

Licensee: Edwin, T. King, R.N., Johnson City, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of

this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License placed on Probation for no less than one (1) year; must meet certain

terms and conditions.

Licensee: Shelley Renee Krajnik, L.P.N., Maryville, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is

addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any

health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location;

unprofessional conduct; the use of any intoxicating beverages, or the illegal use

of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

License placed on Probation for no less than three (3) years; must meet certain

terms and conditions.

Licensee: Ann Lynette Lloyd, L.P.N., Dickson, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring nursing care; unauthorized use or removal or narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; impersonating another licensed

practitioner; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of

nursing.

Action:

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs.

Licensee: Nancy Lowery, R.N., McEwen, TN

Violation: Guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license in

practical nursing; guilty of a crime; is addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment form any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; the use of any intoxication beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while in any Health Care Facility, school, institution or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of

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Action: License placed on Probation for no less than five (5) years; must meet certain

terms and conditions.

Licensee: Elizabeth, Maness, L.P.N., Lexington, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Robin Martin, L.P.N., Smyrna, GA

Violation: Is addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties;

guilty of unprofessional conduct; the use of any intoxication beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while in any Health Care Facility,

school, institution or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location. License placed on Probation until completion of contract with Ridgeview Institute

and receives TNPAP advocacy; and assessed costs

Licensee: Connie Martin-Hall, R.N., Knoxville, TN

Is guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license in Violation:

practical nursing; guilty of a crime; is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause; is addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted

to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or

conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; the use of any intoxication beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while in any Health Care Facility, school,

institution or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; practicing

professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

License Revoked. Action:

Licensee: Rosemarie J. McGee, R.N., Hohenwald, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is

addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and intervention for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; the use of any intoxicating beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work

influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; action taken by another state.

place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the

Action: License Revoked.

Melissa Messer, L.P.N., Newport, TN

Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board pursuant thereto; the use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action:

Licensee: Violation:

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed

\$3,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: Karen V. Moore, L.P.N., Memphis, TN

Violation: Is addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties;

guilty of unprofessional conduct; the use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; and being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work

place location.

Action: License Revoked, assessed costs

Licensee: Patricia C. Niece, R.N., Linden, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; guilty of

unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and intervention for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or

other work place location; and action taken by another state.

Action: License Revoked, assessed \$2,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: Marcy Plumlee L.P.N., Johnson City, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or

unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment form any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; the use of any intoxication beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while in any Health Care Facility, school, institution or other work place location; engaging in acts of dishonesty which

relate to the practice of nursing; and forgery.

Action: License Revoked; assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: Laura L. Poe, A.P.N., R.N., Memphis, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103; and

engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License to remain on Probation fo not less than five (5) years; must meet certain

terms and conditions.

Licensee: Kristi Quarles, L.P.N., Knoxville, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other cause;

unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of

this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Gail Suzette Rasmussen, R.N., Cordova, TN

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs.

Licensee: Alma Rice, R.N., Dyersburg, TN

Violation: Is guilty of a crime; unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other

cause; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring nursing care; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment form any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; impersonating

another licensed practitioner; action in another state; and engaging in acts of

dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing. License Revoked for one (1) year; assessed cost.

Action: License Revoked for one (1) year; assessed cos

Licensee: Shelley G. Rucker, L.P.N., Smyrna, GA

Violation: Is guilty of fraud and deceit, in procuring or attempting to procure a license to

practice nursing; guilty of unprofessional conduct; and engaging in acts of

dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions.

Licensee: Kimberly Rymer, R.N., Altamont, TN

Violation: Is guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; and engaging in acts of dishonesty

which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License placed on Probation for no less than three (3) years.

Licensee: Katherine Yvonne Teeters, L.P.N., Chattanooga, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; guilty of

unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and intervention for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name

and title of the nurse providing care; making false or materially incorrect,

inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possession or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal

of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school,

institution, or other work place location.

License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs. Action:

Aleta Perkinson Walker, R.N., Sevierville, TN Licensee:

Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of

unprofessional conduct; use of any intoxication beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while in any Health Care Facility, school, institution or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103.

License Revoked; assessed costs Action:

Licensee: Susan C. Webster, L.P.N., New Tazewell, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly,

or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; action taken in another state; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice

Action: License placed on Probation for no less than one (1) year; must meet certain

terms and conditions.

Licensee: Apryl L. White, L.P.N., Cumberland City, TN

Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; guilty of Violation:

> unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; and being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or

other work place location.

License Suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs. Action:

Catherine Dawn Williams, L.P.N., Maryville, TN Licensee:

Violation: Abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring nursing care; unprofessional

conduct; and practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A.

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Action: License placed on Probation for no less than one (1) year; employer must

provide quarterly job performance reports.

Lisa J. Wright, L.P.N., Russellville, TN Licensee:

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly,

> or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto; action taken in another state; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice

of nursing.

License Revoked Action:

Licensee: Carolyn Sue Wright, R.N., Lawrenceburg, TN

Violation: Guilty of a crime Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Michael J. York, R.N., Martin, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly,

or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of

this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto.

Action: License Revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Kristiana M. Zimmerman, R.N., Chattanooga, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other cause; is addicted

to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possession or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and practicing professional nursing in a manner inconsistent with T.C.A. § 63-7-103.

Action: License placed on Probation to run concurrent with TNPAP contract.

#### **BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

Licensee: L. Richard Smith, D.V.M., Nashville, TN

Violation: Willful or repeated violation of any provisions of this chapter or any rules of the

board; unprofessional or unethical conduct, or engaging in practices in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine that are in violation of the standards of professional conduct, as defined in this section or prescribed by the rules of the board; conduct reflecting unfavorably upon the profession of veterinary medicine; addiction to the habitual use of intoxicating liquors, narcotics, or other stimulants to such an extent as to incapacitate the applicant or licensee from the performance of that applicant's or the licensee's professional obligations and duties; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of illegal drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any animal health care facility, institution or other work place location; and any violation of

the T.C.A. § 63-12-124.

Action: License placed on Probation, must meet certain terms and conditions, assessed

\$5000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

# JUNE 2008 ABUSE REGISTRY PLACEMENTS

Individual: Orion Word, Knoxville, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Bridgette Mayo, information not provided

Abuse: Misappropriation

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Delisa Cleveland, Knoxville, TN

Abuse: Emotional/Verbal/Neglect Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Karen Boyland, Bartlett, TN
Abuse: Verbal/Emotional/Neglect
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Tinyia King, Greeneville, TN

Abuse: Verbal/Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Doris Smalls, Nashville, TN
Abuse: Neglect/Verbal/Physical
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Daniel Shelton, Chattanooga, TN

Abuse: Misappropriation

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Uchechukwu N. Onyekwerer, Nashville, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: David Murray, Trenton, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Robin Daniels, Tazewell, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Shane Johnson, Waynesboro, TN

Abuse: Physical/Verbal

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: William Hughes, Memphis, TN

Abuse: Physical/Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Robin Cole-White, Nashville, TN

Abuse: Misappropriation

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Kenneth Turner, Memphis, TN

Abuse: Physical/Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Ashley Mason, Memphis, TN

Abuse: Physical/Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Robert Watkins III, Jackson, TN

Abuse: Physical

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Mitchell Transor, Memphis, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Jessica T. Thode a/k/a Jessica L. Watts, Tazewell, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Karen Lynn Glickman, Alcoa, TN

Abuse: Neglect

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Shirley Baiza, Clarksville, TN

Abuse: Physical/Verbal

Action: Placed on Abuse Registry