

**BEFORE THE OREGON
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

In the Matter of) **STIPULATED ORDER FOR**
Nathalie Rotz, LPN) **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**
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License No. 201230192LPN) **Reference No. 16-01159**

The Oregon State Board of Nursing (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including Licensed Practical Nurses. Nathalie Rotz (Licensee) was issued a Licensed Practical Nurse License by the Board on November 29, 2013.

On January 21, 2015, the Board received information alleging that Licensee tampered with medication cards, diverted narcotics from the workplace, and tested positive for opiates and marijuana on a for cause drug screen. Licensee denied the tampering and diversion allegations.

On September 17, 2015, the Board placed Licensee on 24 months of probation with an order to obtain a chemical dependency evaluation. The evaluation was completed by Emergence and recommended completion of Level 1 outpatient treatment with 18 group sessions. Licensee began treatments on July 24, 2015.

Licensee has been dealing with significant health issues requiring frequent doctor visits and hospitalizations since the onset of probation. This has caused Licensee to complete only 8 group sessions. Urinalysis testing taken through Emergence and shared with the Board also ceased around November 2015 when Licensee failed to continue her treatment sessions and contact with her counselor, Rick Brady. Emergence closed her file as non-compliant.

The Board had also been trying unsuccessfully to contact Licensee during this time. On January 13, 2016, Board staff mailed a certified letter to Licensee notifying her of her non-compliance with her Board order. Board staff offered Licensee a voluntary surrender in order to focus on her health. On January 21, 2016, Licensee notified Board staff by e-mail that she wished to surrender her license at this time.

By the above actions, Licensee is subject to discipline pursuant to ORS 678.111 - Causes for denial, revocation or suspension of license or probation, reprimand or censure of licensee. In the manner prescribed in ORS chapter 183 for a contested case:

1) Issuance of the license to practice nursing, whether by examination or by endorsement, of any person may be refused or the license may be revoked or suspended or the licensee may be placed on probation for a period specified by the Oregon State Board of Nursing and subject to such condition as the Board may impose or may be issued a limited license or may be reprimanded or censured by the Board, for any of the following causes:

(f) Conduct derogatory to the standards of nursing.

OAR 851-045-0070 Nurses, regardless of role, whose behavior fails to conform to the legal standard and accepted standards of the nursing profession, or who may adversely affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, may be found guilty of conduct derogatory to the standards of nursing. Such conduct shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- (7) Conduct related to the licensee's relationship with the Board
- (d) Violating the terms and conditions of a Board order.

Licensee wishes to cooperate with the Board in this matter and voluntarily surrender her Licensed Practical Nurse license.

Therefore, the following will be proposed to the Oregon State Board of Nursing and is agreed to by Licensee:

That the voluntary surrender of the Licensed Practical Nurse license of Nathalie Rotz be accepted. If, after a minimum of three years, Ms. Rotz wishes to reinstate her Licensed Practical Nurse license, she may submit an application to the Board to request reinstatement.

Licensee agrees that she will not practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse from the date she signs this Order.

Licensee understands that this Order will be submitted to the Board of Nursing for its approval and is subject to the Board's confirmation.

Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulated Order, she waives the right to an administrative hearing under ORS 183.310 to 183.540, and to any judicial review or appeal thereof. Licensee acknowledges that no promises, representations, duress or coercion have been used to induce her to sign this Order.

Licensee understands that this Order is a document of public record.

Licensee has read this Stipulated Order, understands this Order completely, and freely signs this Stipulated Order for Voluntary Surrender.

Nathalie Rotz, LPN

Date

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED:

BOARD OF NURSING FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

Bonnie Kostelecky, MS, MPA, RN
Board President

Date

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