

**BEFORE THE OREGON
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

In the Matter of) **STIPULATED ORDER FOR**
Deborah Boles, NP) **REPRIMAND OF**
) **PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATE**
License No. 201150167NP) **Reference No. 15-01723**

The Oregon State Board of Nursing (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including Nurse Practitioners. Deborah Boles (Certificate Holder) was issued a Nurse Practitioner Certificate by the Board on November 16, 2011.

On or about May 15, 2015, the Board received information alleging Certificate Holder inappropriately obtained prescription medications. The Board opened an investigation into the matter.

During the course of the Board's investigation, evidence was received that substantiated Certificate Holder inappropriately obtained prescription medications from a provider without the required patient/provider relationship.

By the above actions, Certificate Holder is subject to discipline pursuant to ORS678.111 (1)(f) and OAR 851-045-0070(2)(i) and (j) which read as follows:

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 indorsement, 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 Conduct Derogatory to the Standards of Nursing Defined

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:

(2) Conduct related to other federal or state statute/rule violations:

(i) Possessing, obtaining, attempting to obtain, furnishing, or administering prescription or controlled drugs to any person, including self, except as directed by a person authorized by law to prescribe drugs.

(j) Aiding, abetting, or assisting an individual to violate or circumvent any law, rule or

regulation intended to guide the conduct of nurses or other health care providers. Certificate Holder wishes to cooperate with the Board in this matter. Therefore, the following will be proposed to the Oregon State Board of Nursing and is agreed to by Certificate Holder:

That the Nurse Practitioner certificate of Deborah Boles be reprimanded.

Certificate Holder understands that the conduct resulting in the violations of law described in this Order are considered by the Board to be of a grave nature and, if continued, constitutes a serious danger to public health and safety.

Certificate Holder understands that in the event she engages in future conduct resulting in violations of law or the Nurse Practice Act, the Board may take further disciplinary action against her license, up to and including revocation of her license to practice as a Nurse Practitioner.

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

Certificate Holder 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. Certificate Holder acknowledges that no promises, representations, duress or coercion have been used to induce her to sign this Order.

Certificate Holder understands that this Order is a document of public record.

Certificate Holder has read this Stipulated Order, understands this Order completely, and freely signs this Stipulated Order for Reprimand.

Deborah Boles, NP

Date

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED:

BOARD OF NURSING FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

Gary Hickmann, RN
Board President

Date