

STATE OF VERMONT
VERMONT BOARD OF NURSING

In Re:)
Lorraine Marcoux-Norton, RN) Docket No. NU12-0800
License No. 26-23167)

STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

STIPULATION

1. The Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to investigate complaints of unprofessional conduct and to conduct hearings pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 129 and 26 V.S.A. §§ 1574, 1582.
2. Respondent is a registered nurse licensed by the State of Vermont holding license No. 26-23167.
3. At all times relevant to this Specification of Charges, Respondent was employed by Fletcher Allen Health Care of Burlington, Vermont.
4. Respondent admits that on or about July 8, 2000, Respondent accessed by computer the medical records of another person, A. B. At the time Respondent did so, there was no professional reason for Respondent to do so. A. B. was not Respondent's patient, nor was Respondent in any way assigned to A.B.'s care.
5. Respondent admits that on or about July 9, 2000, Respondent again accessed by computer the medical records of another person, A. B. At the time Respondent did so, there was no professional reason for Respondent to do so. A. B. was not Respondent's patient, nor was Respondent in any way assigned to A.B.'s care.

6. Respondent admits she admitted to Investigator Ron West that she had told third persons A. B. had been treated at Fletcher Allen Health Care and that the injuries were not as severe as had been thought.

7. Respondent understands that the Board must review and accept the terms of this agreement. If the Board rejects any portion, the entire agreement shall be null and void.

8. Respondent has read and reviewed this entire document and agrees that it contains the entire agreement between the parties.

9. Respondent is not under the influence of any drugs or alcohol at the time she signs this agreement.

10. Respondent voluntarily enters this agreement after the opportunity to consult with legal counsel and is not being coerced by anyone into signing it.

11. Respondent agrees that the order set forth below may be entered by the Board.

ORDER

Based on the stipulation above it is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

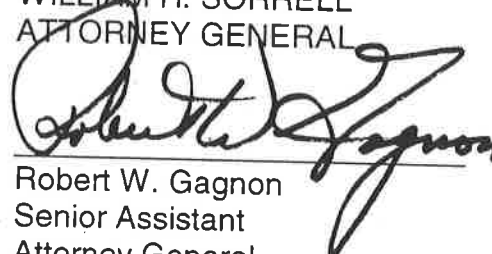
A. The Board finds that by the actions described in paragraphs 4 through 6 Respondent has committed unprofessional conduct pursuant to 26 V.S.A. § 1582(a)(3), (unable to practice nursing competently by reason of any cause) and Vermont Nursing Board Rule IV.B. (2)(B), since these actions fail to conform to the essential standards of acceptable and prevailing nursing practice.

B. The Board hereby **reprimands** the license of Lorraine Marcoux-Norton, RN.

C. This Stipulation and Consent Order is a matter of public record and may be reported to other licensing authorities as provided in 3 V.S.A. § 129(a)(7).

D. This Stipulation and Consent Order will remain part of Respondent's licensing file and may be used for purposes of determining sanctions in any future disciplinary matter.

Dated: 4-11-01

STATE OF VERMONT
WILLIAM H. SORRELL
ATTORNEY GENERAL
By: 
Robert W. Gagnon
Senior Assistant
Attorney General

Dated: April 10, 2001

By: Lorraine Marcoux-Norton
Lorraine Marcoux-Norton

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED:

Dated: 5.14.01

By: 
Chair/Acting Chair
Vermont Board of Nursing

Date of Entry: 5-17-01