

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Department of Health  
Nursing Assistant Advisory Board



**IN THE MATTER OF:**  
**ELIZABETH CHECO**  
**License Number NA48798**  
**Case No. 170785**

**CONSENT ORDER**

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-17.9-1 *et seq.* and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Rhode Island Department of Health (hereinafter "RIDOH"), and the Nursing Assistant Advisory Board (hereinafter "Board") have investigated a complaint charging ELIZABETH CHECO, NA48798 (hereinafter "Respondent"), with conduct subject to disciplinary proceedings pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-17.9-8. After review and consideration by RIDOH and the Board with respect to the Respondent's conduct, the following are and shall constitute

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent is a Nursing Assistant licensed to practice in Rhode Island under Nursing Assistant License NA48798.
2. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was employed by Ocean State Nursing Services.
3. Respondent admits that on or about April 4, 2017, April 6, 2017, April 11, 2017, April 20, 2017, and April 25, 2017, she entered a patient's home when the patient was not present, and fraudulently requested and received payment for services that she claimed had been provided to the patient on those dates, when in fact no services had been provided to the client on those dates.
4. That the conduct described in paragraph three of this Consent Order constitutes conduct subject to disciplinary proceedings pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws §23-17.9-8 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder.
5. That the Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of RIDOH.

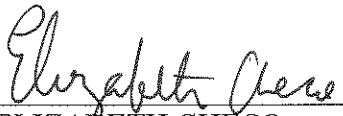
6. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that this Consent Order shall become binding once signed by the Respondent and RIDOH.
7. That Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
  - a. The right to an administrative hearing on this matter;
  - b. The right to represent himself or be represented by an attorney of Respondent's own choosing at said hearing;
  - c. The right to produce testimony, witnesses, and evidence on Respondent's behalf; at a hearing; and
  - d. Any and all rights of appeal.

ACCORDINGLY, AND BASED ON THE FOREGOING

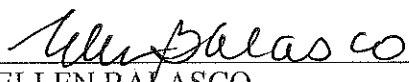
RIDOH and the Respondent hereby agree to the following disposition of this complaint:

1. Respondent is hereby issued the sanction of a Reprimand on her Nursing Assistant license, NA48798.
2. Respondent will participate in continuing education classes in Medicaid Fraud within thirty (30) days of the ratification of this Consent Order and provide the Board with proof of such completion.
3. This Consent Order shall become a public record.

Signed this 12 day of March, 2018.

  
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ELIZABETH CHECO

Ratified by the RI Department of Health, Chief of Professional Boards and Licensing, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2018.

  
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ELLEN BALASCO  
Chief of Professional Boards and Licensing