STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

BOARD OF NURSE REGISTRATION AND NURSING EDUCATION

RE:

CHINEME EBIRIM

RN36412 C15-1010b C15-1041

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to § 5-34-24 of the Rhode Island General Laws and the Rules and Regulations promulgated there under, the Rhode Island Department of Health (hereinafter the "Department"), and the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education (hereinafter the "Board"), has investigated a complaint charging Chineme Ebirim, RN36412 (hereinafter the "Respondent") with a violation of § 5-34 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

After review and consideration by the Committee of the Board, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

- 1. Respondent is a registered nurse licensed to practice nursing in the State of Rhode Island under registered nurse License Number RN36412.
- 2. That at all pertinent times Respondent was employed at Charlesgate Nursing Home, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 3. It is alleged that Respondent willfully disregarded the standards of RN practice by physically restraining a patient for the convenience of the staff, for non-therapeutic reasons without a physician's order in a skilled nursing facility.
- 4. That the conduct described in paragraph three (3) herein constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined in § 5-34-24 (6v) and the Rules and Regulations promulgated there under.

The parties agree as follows:

- 1. Respondent is a registered nurse and able to conduct business under and by virture of the laws of the State of Rhode Island, license number RN36487.
- Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 3. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands this it is a proposal of the Board and is subject to the final ratification by the Board. This Consent and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
- 4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or bother before the Board;
 - b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a hearing;
 - c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
 - d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
 - e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f) Any and all right of appeal of this Consent Order;
 - g) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for Consideration and review;
 - h) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to adequately review this Consent Order;
 - i) Any objection to the fact that the Board reviewing this Consent Order may be the same as the hearing committee presiding over this matter should it later be brought to an administrative hearing.
 - j) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order to the Board.
- 5. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and accepted by the Board.
- 6. Respondent agrees to a Reprimand of her registered nurse license.

7. That should Respondent fail to comply with the laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing and/or fail to comply with the terms of the Consent Order, his license as a registered nurse may be subject to suspension or other appropriate disciplinary action.

ACCORDINGLY AND BASED ON THE FOREGOING

The Rhode Island Department of Health and the Respondent hereby agree to the following disposition of this complaint:

- 1. That Respondent is hereby issued the sanction of a Reprimand.
- 2. That this Order shall become part of a public record of this proceeding.

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Chineme Ebirim	Prepident, Board of Nurse Registration
RN36412	and Nursing Education
Date: 6/13/16	Date: 7/11/16

Ratified as an order of the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education at a meeting held on this ______ day of _______ 2016.