

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF CUSTOMER SERVICES
CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND LICENSING
BOARD OF NURSING REGISTRATION AND NURSING EDUCATION**

**IN THE MATTER OF: JODIE HAZARD
LICENSEE NO.: RN 43098
COMPLAINT ID #: C20-1335A**

CONSENT ORDER FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

Jodie Hazard (“Respondent”) has been licensed as a Registered Nurse pursuant to R.I Gen. Laws §5-34-11 and the Rules and Regulations for Licensing of Nurses 216-RICR-40-05-3 and holds license number RN 43098 (the “License”). Respondent wishes to voluntarily surrender the License, reserving the right to petition for reinstatement pending resolution of the ongoing legal matters set forth below.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. That Respondent is a Registered Nurse licensed to practice in the State of Rhode Island under the License.
2. That Respondent has been licensed to practice as a Registered Nurse in Rhode Island since March 3, 2006.
3. That Respondent graduated from the Community College of Rhode Island on December 21, 2005.
4. That on or about September 10, 2020, RIDOH received notice that Respondent was working and exhibited signs and symptoms of a silent stroke, including being unable to keep her eyes open, slurring her words, acting confused, and being unsteady on her feet, which resulted in the facility calling 911 and the Respondent being transferred to the hospital for evaluation. The complaint further alleged that the facility video surveillance located in the medication room showed the Respondent taking different medications from the stock bottles and swallowing them. Respondent admitted to the Director of Nursing that she took stock medication that night.


5. That Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education.
6. That Respondent has read and comprehended the Consent Order and understands that this Consent Order shall be subject to final approval of the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education and is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education.
7. If approved by the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education, Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives, relative only to this Consent Order:
 - a. The right to appear personally or by counsel, or both, before the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education;
 - b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence on her behalf at a hearing;
 - c. The right to cross-examine witnesses presented by the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education
 - d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education;
 - e. The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order; and
 - g. Any objection that this Consent Order will (i) be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank, (ii) be posted on the RIDOH's public website, or (iii) become a permanent part of Respondent's record and a part of the public record of this proceeding.

ACCORDINGLY, AND BASED ON THE FOREGOING

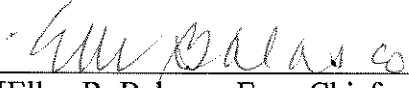
The Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education and Respondent hereby agree to the following:

8. Respondent shall voluntarily surrender the License, reserving the right to petition for reinstatement, pending resolution of the legal matters set forth above, without making any admissions and without prejudice to the ability to defend any action brought based on the above allegations.

9. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from practicing and/or representing oneself as a licensed Registered Nurse in the State of Rhode Island, pending further Order of the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education.
10. If Respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education shall have the discretion to impose disciplinary action, including immediate suspension of the License. If the Board of Nursing Registration and Nursing Education imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given notice of such action and shall have the right to request a hearing within twenty (20) days of such discipline.



JODIE HAZARD
LICENSEE NO.: RN 43098



[Ellen R. Balasco, Esq., Chief
Center for Professional Boards and Licensing]
OR [authorized signature for Board of Nursing
Registration and Nursing Education]

Date Signed:

4/4/2022

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