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In re: )  
Janice M. Chamberland, R.N.) CONSENT AGREEMENT  
) REGARDING SURRENDER  
) OF LICENSE

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Janice M. Chamberland's license to practice as a registered professional nurse in the State of Maine, entered into pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(1-A)(B) and (C) and 10 M.R.S.A. Section 8003(5)(A-1)(4). The parties to this Consent Agreement are: Janice M. Chamberland, the State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine.

By letter dated August 27, 1990, Ms. Chamberland was notified to meet with the Board in an informal conference to discuss the complaint filed against her by Mercy Hospital regarding the diversion and abuse of drugs by her. At the informal conference held on September 19, 1990, Ms. Chamberland was present, along with hospital representatives.

FINDINGS OF FACT

As a result of the informal conference, the Board made the following findings of fact:

1. Ms. Chamberland admits to diversion.
2. Ms. Chamberland has completed a rehabilitation program.
3. Ms. Chamberland is involved in aftercare.
4. The hospital (complainant) represents that there is no evidence of patient harm.
5. Ms. Chamberland has been substance free for 6 months.
6. Ms. Chamberland does not have a good support system.
7. Ms. Chamberland did cooperate with the hospital and followed its recommendations.
8. Ms. Chamberland denies depriving patients of medications.
9. Ms. Chamberland denies administering medications to herself while on duty.

COVENANTS

Based on the above findings of fact, the Board voted to accept the voluntary surrender of Ms. Chamberland's license to practice nursing for a period of 18 months, beginning March 15, 1990, under the following terms and conditions:

1. Ms. Chamberland is to continue with her aftercare program.
2. Quarterly progress reports from Ms. Chamberland's counselor shall be submitted to the Board.
3. Ms. Chamberland shall continue in her aftercare program and do whatever is recommended by her counselor.
4. Ms. Chamberland shall remain substance free.
5. Ms. Chamberland shall hold no position in the health care field, including as a certified nursing assistant.
6. A failure to comply with any term or condition of this Consent Agreement shall result in the automatic and permanent revocation of Ms. Chamberland's license.
7. Ms. Chamberland hereby waives all claims of confidentiality and privilege she may have regarding reports to be submitted to the Board in accordance with this Consent Agreement.

DATED: October 10, 1990

BY: *Janice M. Chamberland*  
JANICE M. CHAMBERLAND

DATED: 10/15/90

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:  
BY: *Jean C. Caron*  
JEAN C. CARON, R.N., M.S.  
Executive Director

DATED: 10-19-90

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL  
BY: *James D. Bivins*  
JAMES D. BIVINS  
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