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December 18, 2012

Jamie Karayianes Bell, RN
186 Main Street
Cumberland, ME 04021

Dear Ms. Bell:

Pursuant to your meeting with the Board on November 28, 2012, this will confirm that the Board voted to reinstate your registered professional nursing license.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy nursing career~

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myra Broadway".

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Executive Director

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IN RE: JAMIE L. KARAYIANES, RN)
 of Scarborough, ME)
 License #R052219)

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
 FOR VOLUNTARY
 SURRENDER OF LICENSE**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement (“Agreement”) regarding Jamie L. Karayianes’s license as a registered professional nurse in the State of Maine. The parties to this Agreement are Jamie L. Karayianes (“Licensee” or “Ms. Karayianes”), Maine State Board of Nursing (“Board”) and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A (1-A) (C), 10 M.R.S. §§ 8003 (A-1) (4), 8003 (5) (B) and 8003 (5) (D). The parties met in an informal conference on June 29, 2011 and reached this Agreement based upon a Board Complaint dated January 10, 2011, with a provider report from Southern Maine Medical Center (“SMMC”) dated November 30, 2010; supplemental information from SMMC dated January 6, 2011; and Ms. Karayianes’s response dated March 4, 2011.

FACTS

1. Jamie L. Karayianes has been licensed as a registered professional nurse to practice in Maine since March 30, 2006.
2. Jamie L. Karayianes was employed as a registered professional nurse at SMMC from June 5, 2006 until her termination on November 20, 2010 for failure to follow hospital policy regarding the handling of controlled substances. An investigation disclosed that Ms. Karayianes made three (3) Pyxis withdrawals of controlled drugs (Percocet) on November 16, 2010 for a patient not assigned to her. She also documented in the patient’s medical record that the Percocet, which the patient denied receiving, was administered. When Ms. Karayianes was confronted with the medication discrepancies, she admitted to diverting the medications for her own personal use.
3. Jamie L. Karayianes entered into a five-year contract with the Medical Professionals Health Program (“MPHP”) in February 2011; however, she has had two relapses which are demonstrated by positive urine drug screens for cannabis and prescription drugs (Hydrocodone) for which she was not prescribed. MPHP subsequently terminated her contract June 17, 2011, but is willing to work with her in the future.
4. Jamie L. Karayianes is not currently working in the healthcare field and has offered to surrender her registered professional nursing license and thereby waives her right to an adjudicatory hearing.

AGREEMENT

5. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Jamie L. Karayianes’s offer to voluntarily surrender her registered professional nursing license. Ms. Karayianes understands and agrees that based upon the facts contained herein, she acknowledges that if this matter went to a hearing before the Board, it is more likely than not the above-stated facts and underlying investigative information would support the licensing violations in this Agreement. Further, she understands and agrees that this document imposes discipline regarding her nursing practice in the State of Maine. The grounds for discipline are found under Title 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(B), (2)(F) and (2)(H) and Chapter 4, Sections 1(A)(1), 1(A)(2), 1(A)(6), 1(A)(8) and Chapter 4, Sections 3(F), 3(K), 3(P) and 3(Q) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. Specifically, the violations are:



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Title 32 M.R.S. §§:

- a. 2105-A (2) (A). Ms. Karayianes engaged in the practice of fraud or deceit in connection with a service rendered within the scope of her license. (See also Chapter 4, Section 1.A.1.)
- b. 2105-A (2) (B). Habitual substance abuse that has resulted or is foreseeably likely to result in the licensee performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.2.)
- c. 2105-A (2) (F). Unprofessional Conduct. Ms. Karayianes has engaged in unprofessional conduct by violating standards of professional behavior that have been established in the practice for which she is licensed. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.6.)
- d. 2105-A (2) (H). A violation of this chapter or a rule adopted by the Board. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.8.)
- e. Chapter 4, Section 3. *Unprofessional Conduct* as defined by the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing states that *Nursing behavior which fails to conform to legal standards of the nursing profession, and which could reflect adversely on the health and welfare of the public shall constitute unprofessional conduct and shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:*
 - F. Failure to take appropriate action or follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.
 - K. Inaccurate recording, falsifying or altering a patient or health care provider record.
 - P. Diverting drugs, supplies or property of patients or health care provider.
 - Q. Possessing, obtaining, furnishing or administering prescription drugs to any person, including self, except as directed by a person authorized by law to prescribe drugs.
6. Jamie L. Karayianes understands and agrees that her nursing license will remain on surrender status and subject to the terms of this Agreement indefinitely until and unless the Board, at her written request, votes to reinstate her license. Ms. Karayianes understands and agrees that if the Board reinstates her license, it will be for a probationary period.
7. The State of Maine is a “Party state” that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact (“Compact”), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The State of Maine is Ms. Karayianes’s “Home state” of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that she has declared the State of Maine as her fixed permanent and principle home for legal purposes; her domicile. Other Party states in the Compact are referred to as “Remote states,” which means Party states other than the Home state that have adopted the Compact. Ms. Karayianes understands this Agreement is subject to the Compact.
8. Jamie L. Karayianes understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into the Agreement.
9. Jamie L. Karayianes shall not work or volunteer in any capacity for a health care provider as defined by Title 24 M.R.S. § 2502 (2) or in any position holding herself out as a registered professional nurse or with the designation “RN” while her nursing license is surrendered.
10. This Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408.
11. Modification of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.

12. This Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
13. Jamie L. Karayianes affirms that she executes this Agreement of her own free will.
14. This Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.


I, JAMIE L. KARAYIANES, RN, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, AND INTELLIGENTLY AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 8/4/11



JAMIE L. KARAYIANES, RN


DATED: 8/12/11



WILLIAM B. COTE, ESQ.
Attorney for Jamie L. Karayianes, RN

FOR THE MAINE STATE
BOARD OF NURSING

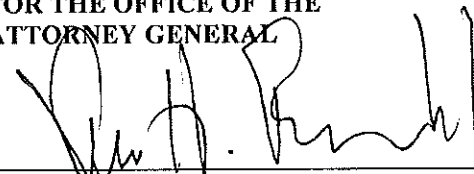
DATED: 8/17/11



MYRA A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.
Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 8/18/11



JOHN H. RICHARDS
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