

1979 1120 011 037

TO: Maureen Norton  
42 Nesbit Avenue  
West Hartford, Conn.

Lic# 015634

A hearing was held on February 27, 1980 in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing and Administrative Procedures Act of the State of Connecticut and a compliance meeting was held in accordance with statutory requirements of Section 4-182(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended. The Board hereby finds that:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Maureen Norton, L.P.N. of West Hartford, the respondent, was licensed to practice nursing as a Practical Nurse by the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing on December 15, 1975 and has practiced nursing since that date.
2. The respondent admitted to the charges in the notice of hearing.
3. On or about October 27, 1979, the respondent violated the provisions of Section 20-99(b), Section 20-99(b)(5), Section 19-472(a), Section 19-227 and Section 19-461(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes by illegally obtaining and diverting Meperidene and Morphine and destroying associated proof of use sheets while employed at Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut.
4. Respondent was not working as a nurse at the time of the hearing.

CONCLUSION

4. It was the unanimous decision of the Board that Maureen Norton, LPN has violated Chapter 378, Section 20-99, General Statutes of Connecticut as amended in that she is guilty of unprofessional conduct which

failed to conform to the standards of the nursing profession.

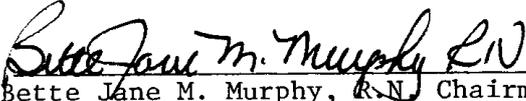
ORDER

5. On the basis of the foregoing findings of fact and conclusion, the Board hereby orders that the Certificate of Practical Nurse Licensure Number E-15634 of Maureen Norton be suspended for a minimum of two years. At the end of such two year period, the respondent may request in writing a review of the suspension period at which time the respondent must submit documentation of being drug free and having completed therapy and the Board will thereupon review the request and any supporting reports relative to the respondent's physical and drug problems.

6. The Board herewith ~~advise~~s the Department of Health Services of the State of Connecticut of said suspension and to order the respondent to return her original Certificate of Practical Nurse Licensure Number E-15634 together with her annual registration card.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 28th day of March 1980.

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING

  
Bette Jane M. Murphy, R.N. Chairman  
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing

djp