

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
BUREAU OF HEALTH SYSTEM REGULATION  
DIVISION OF MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

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*4-20-93*  
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In re: Alice Chartress, N.H.A.

Petition No. 910712-36-001

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Alice Chartress, N.H.A., of Waterford, Connecticut, has been issued license number 000425, to practice nursing home administration by the Department of Health Services pursuant to Chapter 368v of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Services alleges as follows:

1. That during 1991 she was the licensed administrator of Greentree Manor Convalescent Center, in Waterford, Connecticut.
2. That she failed to reserve a bed for a patient during that patient's hospitalization for circulatory problems.
3. That by her actions in (1) above has violated the provisions of §19a-517(b) and §19a-537(c) of the General Statutes of Connecticut by failing to conform to the accepted standards of the nursing home administrator profession.

WHEREAS, Alice Chartress, N.H.A. in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations at a hearing in front of a hearing officer. Alice Chartress, N.H.A., does not admit to any violation of any statute or regulation, including but not limited to, 19a-517(b) and 19a-537(c) of the General Statutes of Connecticut. Alice Chartress, N.H.A. further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to Sections 19a-9, 19a-10, and 19a-517(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §19a-517(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Alice Chartress hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. That she waives her right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. That she is hereby assessed a \$1,000.00 fine.
3. That she will provide an in-service for all staff people having any responsibility for, or job duties related to reservation of beds for patients temporarily removed from the facility. Said in-service will review the law governing reservation of beds and will correct erroneous information given to staff by a representative of the Department of Income Maintenance, as more fully set forth at the office conference held April 21, 1992.
4. That she will provide the Department of Health Services with proof that said in-service has been provided, including a description of the contents of said in-service and a list of all participants.
5. That the above-referenced fine shall be sent with the signed Consent Order, and shall be a certified check made payable to "Treasurer, State of Connecticut".
6. That she understands that this Consent Order may be considered as evidence in any proceeding before the Connecticut Department of Health Services (1) in which her compliance with this same order is at issue, or (2) in which her compliance with §19-517(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
7. That this Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, that said order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of

Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive her of any other rights that she may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.

8. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department of Health Services at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.
9. That this Consent Order is effective the first day of the next month after which the seal of the last signatory is fixed to this document.
10. That she permits a representative of the Public Health Hearing Office of the Division of Medical Quality Assurance, Connecticut Department of Health Services to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for said Consent Order to the agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Health Services. She understands that said agent has complete and final discretion as to whether or not an executed Consent Order is approved or granted. She further agrees that the pre-hearing review form signed by her is incorporated by reference into this Consent Order.
11. That this Consent Order is a matter of public record.
12. That she has consulted with an attorney prior to signing this document.

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I, Alice Chartress, N.H.A., have read the above Consent Order, and I agree and admit to the terms and allegations set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

Alice E. Chartress  
Alice Chartress, N.H.A.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 1993.

A. Luisa Ferreira  
Notary Public or person authorized  
by law to administer an oath or  
affirmation  
A. LUISA FERREIRA  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
MY COMM. EXPIRES

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of Health Services on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1993, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

Stanley K. Peck  
Stanley K. Peck, Director  
Division of Medical Quality Assurance

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