

State of Rhode Island  
and Providence Plantations

Department of Health  
Health Services Regulations

vs.

ANNA MARIA GARCIA (C11-500)

**ORDER**

Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws (2001 Reenactment) Section 23-17.9-8 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Rhode Island Department of Health (hereinafter "Department"), after review and consultation with the Advisory Board for Nursing Assistants, has investigated a complaint charging ANNA MARIA GARCIA (NA32550) (hereinafter "Respondent") with a violation of Section 23-17.9-8 of the General Laws.

After consideration by the Department, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with the respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

1. Respondent is a Nursing Assistant licensed to practice in the State of Rhode Island.
2. That all pertinent times, Respondent was employed by Access Healthcare Inc., East Providence, RI.
3. That is, on or about June 2011, the Respondent stole cash from home care clients on separate occasions for personal use; Respondent admitted theft for two clients. Respondent was arrested on June 24, 2011 and charged by East Providence Police for Larceny Over \$500 and Larceny Under \$500.
4. That the conduct described in paragraph three (3) herein constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to Section 23-17.9-8 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder.

Based on the foregoing, the Rhode Island Department of Health hereby enter the following:

1. The nursing assistant certification issued to the Respondent is hereby revoked for a period of five (5) years commencing on October 31, 2011.
2. At the time Respondent seeks reinstatement of the Nursing Assistant Certification, Respondent shall submit documentation to the Board evidencing that Respondent is capable and competent to engage in the practice of Nursing Assistant. In addition, Respondent must meet all education requirements for licensure in effect at the time Respondent applies for licensure.
3. That should Respondent fail to comply with the terms of this Order, Respondent shall be subject to further disciplinary sanctions.
4. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect pending further Order of the Department.

Ordered this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011



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