

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
OFFICE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS REGULATION  
NURSING ASSISTANT ADVISORY BOARD

vs.

NATHANIEL RODRIGUES NA26731

#### SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Nathaniel Rodrigues (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a Nursing Assistant pursuant to R.I. General Laws 23-17.9, et. seq.

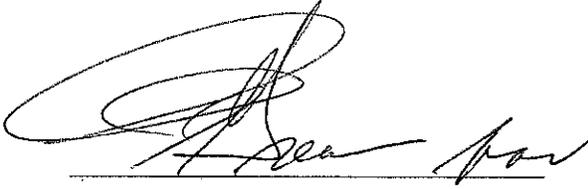
On or about September 24, 2012, while employed as a Nursing Assistant at Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island, Respondent sexually assaulted a female patient by digitally penetrating her vagina, and sexually fondling her.

Based upon the foregoing, the Director of Health has determined that the continuation of the license of Nathaniel Rodrigues as a Nursing Assistant constitutes an imminent threat to the health, welfare and safety of the public and imperatively requires emergency action.

Accordingly, the Nursing Assistant license of Nathaniel Rodrigues is hereby **Suspended** forthwith pursuant to R.I. General Law Section 42-35-14(c). Said **Suspension** shall continue indefinitely pending further Order of the Department of Health.

The Licensee may request a hearing in writing.

Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> of December, 2012.



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CERTIFICATION

I certify that I have hand delivered the within SUMMARY SUSPENSION to Nathaniel Rodrigues at 10 Wingate Ct. Warwick, RI on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2012.

