

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF NURSE REGISTRATION
AND NURSING EDUCATION**

Case No. PNS11-036

vs.

LISA MARENARO, PPNS00019

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to Section 5-34-24 and 5-34.2-4 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, As Amended, and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education (hereinafter "Board"), has investigated a complaint charging Lisa Marenaro, PCNS, (hereinafter "Respondent"), with a violation of Chapter 5-34 and 5-34.2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, As Amended.

The following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

1. Respondent is a Registered Nurse licensed to practice nursing in the State of Rhode Island.
2. Respondent is a Psychiatric and Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist licensed to practice in the State of Rhode Island with prescriptive authority.
3. Respondent failed to show proof that she was in a collaborative practice agreement with a licensed physician from May 20, 2008 through March 22, 2009
4. Respondent prescribed medications classified as stimulants in doses exceeding the acceptable standards of practice.
5. Respondent failed to maintain standards of effective controls to prevent diversion, and failed to follow up on appropriate referral of patients whose care she attempted to transfer to another clinician.

Pursuant to Section 5-34-24, this constitutes unprofessional conduct in the State of Rhode Island and, as such, is grounds to discipline your license.

The parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.
2. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of an Investigating Committee of the Board and is subject to final ratification by the Board. This Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
3. As a result of this conduct, the Respondent agrees that her license to practice nursing shall be suspended for a period of one (1) year. This suspension is **stayed** upon the following conditions:
 - a) Respondent agrees to satisfactorily complete a three (3) credit graduate level course in psychopharmacology and provide written proof of completion to the Board on or before June 30, 2012. This course may be taken on-line, but must be pre-approved by the Director of the Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education.
 - b) Respondent agrees to retain the services of a professional office manager for her practice, who shall work at least ten (10) hours a month, with services to be provided on at least a biweekly basis, and who shall assume responsibility for the administration of Respondent's practice including billing, accounts payable, correspondence, maintenance of collaborative agreements, continuing education, and patient records. Services must commence on or before February 1, 2012. Respondent is responsible for the appropriate and complete administration of her practice until such services begin. Proof of

these services must be made available to the Board upon request. Proof will include signed time sheets or pay stubs which appropriately document the nature and extent of the services provided.

- c) Respondent shall review RIGL § 5-34-24 and shall ensure that she maintains legal adherence to the statute at all times going forward.

4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:

- a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
- b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a hearing;
- c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
- d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
- e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
- f) Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order.
- g) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review;
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- i) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately this Consent Order;
- j) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order. The signing of this Consent Order is for settlement purposes only.

5. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and accepted by the Board.

6. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations set forth herein.
7. If Respondent completes all of the conditions contained herein and continues to meet all other legal requirements of her license, the suspension will not be imposed and the disciplinary action will be dismissed.
8. If Respondent does not meet one or more of the conditions contained herein, the Board will provide Notice in writing. The Respondent will have the opportunity to appear within ten (10) days to show cause why the suspension should not be imposed immediately. If the Board is satisfied that she has not shown Cause, the suspension will be imposed without further hearing or appeal, and the Respondent will be notified of the suspension dates in writing.

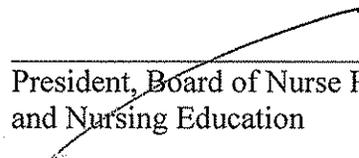


Lisa Marenaro, PCNS



Peggy Matteson
President, Board of Nurse Registration
and Nursing Education

Ratified as an order of the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education at a meeting held on this 12 day of December 2011.



President, Board of Nurse Registration
and Nursing Education