

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

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

vs.

**JO ANN PAUL, RN227903**

**ORDER**

Pursuant to Section 5-34-25 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2008 Reenactment, 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 entered into a Consent Order with the Board on July 7, 2007
3. Respondent has not been compliant with said order whereas she has not demonstrated that she participates in individual counseling and or treatment for drug and or alcohol abuse by a Board approved health care provider. groups as needed.

Based upon the foregoing, the Board hereby enters the following Order:

1. That Respondent's registered nurse license is hereby suspended for at least 2 years.
2. That at the time Respondent seeks reinstatement of her registered nurse license, she shall submit documentation to the Board evidencing that she is capable and competent to engage in the practice of nursing. Such documentation shall include, but is not limited to, a substance abuse evaluation from a Board approved health care provider.
3. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect pending further Order of the Board.

Date: June 11, 2010

  
Director, Board of Nurse Registration  
and Nursing Education