

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

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

vs.

**KEVIN GWOZDZ (RN40176)**

**ORDER**

Pursuant to Section 5-34-25 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2004 Reenactment, a complaint was filed with the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education (hereinafter referred to as "Board") charging Kevin Gwozdz, RN, Respondent, with violation of Chapter 5-34 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2004 Reenactment.

After consideration by the Investigating Subcommittee of the Board, 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. That on or about November 3, 2003 Respondent did enter into a confidential Diversion Contract with the Board. That on or about April 5, 2005 Respondent did enter into a Consent Order with the Board wherein Respondent's registered nurse license was placed on probationary status for a period of three (3) years for unprofessional conduct in that on or about December 18, 2004 Respondent was hospitalized for alcohol intoxication.
3. That Respondent is not in compliance with said consent order in that on or about March 31, 2006 the Board received information indicating that Respondent has been drinking regularly since approximately September 2005.

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

1. That the registered nurse license issued to the Respondent is hereby suspended effective April 17, 2006.
2. That Respondent shall not reapply for reinstatement of the registered nurse license for a period of at least three (3) years.
3. That at the time Respondent seeks reinstatement of the registered nurse license, Respondent shall submit documentation to the Board evidencing that he is capable and competent to engage in the practice of nursing.
4. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect pending further Order of the Board.

Entered as an Order of the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education at a meeting held on April 17, 2006.

Date: April 17, 2006

Charles Allison Jr.  
President, Board of Nurse Registration  
and Nursing Education