

BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

STATE OF COLORADO

Case No. 2019-2630

STIPULATION AND FINAL AGENCY ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS REGARDING THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF LISA MILLS, LICENSE NO. CSW 9925520,

Respondent.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the State Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") and Lisa Mills ("Respondent"), as follows:

1. Respondent was licensed to practice as a clinical social worker ("LCSW") in the State of Colorado on August 16, 2018, having been issued license number 9925520, and is currently so licensed.

2. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order ("Order").

3. It is the intent of the parties and the purpose of this Order to provide for a settlement of all matters arising out of the complaint in case number 2019-2630 without the necessity of holding a formal hearing. This Order is a full and final resolution of case number 2019-2630. This Order does not resolve any other cases, complaints, or matters, known or unknown to the Board or Respondent, as of the effective date of this Order.

4. Respondent admits the following:

a. From on or around June 2018 through February 2019, Respondent was employed at a hospital.

b. Respondent failed to conduct and document an adequate suicide risk assessment of a patient.

c. Respondent's discharge plans were inadequate.

5. By virtue of the admissions in paragraph 4 above, Respondent admits and the Board finds that Respondent violated section 12-245-224(1)(g)(l) and (u), C.R.S., which states:

12-245-224. Prohibited activities--related provisions. (1) A person licensed, registered, or certified under this article 245 violates this article 245 if he or she:

(g)(l) Has acted or failed to act in a manner that does not meet the generally accepted standards of the professional discipline under which the person practices. Generally accepted standards may include, at the board's discretion, the standards of practice generally recognized by state and national associations of practitioners in the field of the person's professional discipline;

(u) Has falsified or repeatedly made incorrect essential entries or repeatedly failed to make essential entries on patient records.

6. By virtue of the admissions in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, Respondent is subject to the following disciplinary sanction(s) that the Board believes is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

ADMONISHMENT

7. On the basis of the findings set forth in paragraphs 4 and 5, the Board hereby admonishes Respondent for violations of section 12-245-224(1)(g)(l) and (u), C.R.S. This Order is effective as a Letter of Admonition, set forth by section 12-20-404(4), C.R.S. As part of the admonishment, Respondent agrees to the following terms as a Board Order:

CONTINUING EDUCATION

8. Within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this Order, Respondent must successfully complete three (3) hours of Board-approved professional continuing education ("CE") courses in the area of documentation and three (3) hours in the area of risk assessment. Respondent shall obtain Board approval of the courses prior to enrolling in each course. Upon completion of a course, Respondent shall ensure that a certificate of completion is provided to the Board. These hours of CE completed pursuant to this section shall be required in addition to, and may not be counted toward, the mandatory Continuing Professional Development requirements for an active Colorado license or to meet any other licensure requirements.

