



DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023

GUARDADO, STEVE W. – RCP 36643

Used alcohol in a dangerous manner on two separate occasions and convicted of reckless driving while under the influence of alcohol. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on three (3) years probation effective April 1, 2023.

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WISTRICH, CANDACE LEE – RCP 35738

Committed negligence, unprofessional conduct, and falsified or made grossly incorrect entries in three neonatal patient's medical records by charting that she assessed the patients when in fact, she did not. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on three (3) years probation effective April 3, 2023.

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LAMBERTE, MICHAEL JASON – RCP 38522

Convicted of a felony violation of possession of over 600 images of child or youth pornography. Pursuant to a Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, license surrendered effective April 7, 2023.

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NIETO, EDUARDO – RCP 37953

Used alcoholic beverages to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or to others while working in a health care environment and while driving a motor vehicle. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on five (5) years probation effective April 15, 2023.

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WINCHESTER, JASON ROBERT – RCP 26653

Committed negligence and unprofessional conduct by failing to properly reactivate a patient's bedside ventilator, and by failing to ensure the patient's bedside ventilator was operational before, during, and after placing the patient on the ventilator. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on five (5) years probation effective April 21, 2023.

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EXPLANATION OF DISCIPLINARY LANGUAGE AND ACTIONS

Effective date of decision: The date the disciplinary decision goes into operation.

Default Decision: A decision based on the licensee's failure to respond to formal charges after it has been served, or failure to appear at an Administrative Hearing. All charges are deemed true. The decision results in the revocation of the license.

Disciplinary Order: An order for discipline adopted by the Board.

Probation: Allows the licensee to practice as a respiratory care practitioner under terms and conditions for a set amount of time.

Proposed Decision: A decision rendered by an Administrative Law Judge through an Administrative Hearing. A proposed decision must be adopted by the Board before it can go into effect.

Revoked: The right to practice is ended due to disciplinary action. The license is invalidated, voided, annulled, or rescinded. The individual can no longer practice as a respiratory care practitioner in California.

Revoked, Stayed: "Stayed" means the revocation is postponed. Professional practice may continue so long as the licensee complies with specified terms and conditions of probation.

Stipulated Settlement: A form of plea bargaining. The case is formally negotiated and settled prior to a hearing.

Stipulated Surrendered: The Board agrees to allow the licensee to surrender the license as a resolution to a disciplinary matter. The individual can no longer practice as a respiratory care practitioner in California.

JIMENEZ-SALAZAR, HUGO ARMANDO – RCP 33034

Convicted of sexual penetration of a person under 18, unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor more than 3 years younger, and oral copulation of a person under 18. Pursuant to a Default Decision and Order, license revoked effective May 31, 2023.

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VALDEZ, MAYRA A. – RCP 46316

Convicted of a felony violation of corporal injury on a cohabitant, used alcohol to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to herself or to others, and worked as respiratory care practitioner without a valid license or permit. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, a respiratory care practitioner license was issued, revoked, stayed, and placed on five (5) years probation effective June 9, 2023.

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JONES, KRISTIN MARIE – RCP 41546

Committed negligence, unprofessional conduct, and falsified entries in a patient's medical record by repeatedly documenting completion of respiratory assessments without going into the patient's room to complete the assessments. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on three (3) years probation effective June 22, 2023.

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