

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022

KIDD, NAJAT RIZEK – RCP 43164

Worked as a respiratory care practitioner while under the influence of alcohol and used alcoholic beverages to an extent or in a manner dangerous to herself or others. Pursuant to a Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on five (5) years probation effective January 20, 2022.

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SALUDO, JEROME O. – RCP 39750

Obtained, possessed, used, or administered to himself, in violation of law, a controlled substance to wit, methamphetamine, and used in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or others, by testing positive for a controlled substance on a pre-employment drug screen. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on four (4) years probation effective January 28, 2022.

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CAIN, KAREN E. – RCP 9810

Committed negligence, unprofessional conduct, and falsification of medical records by failing to provide a patient with any posttreatment assessments, failing to properly prioritize a critical ventilator patient's treatment, improperly withdrawing patient prescribed medications, inaccurately documenting treatment times or failing to give the patient any treatment, and failing to properly return the medications resulting in erroneous billing for medications on multiple patients. Discipline considerations include perjury of her renewal application for dishonestly stating she had not sustained a conviction for driving under the influence of alcohol. Pursuant to a Proposed Decision by an Administrative Law Judge, license revoked effective February 17, 2022.

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LU, JEFFERY CALDERON – RCP 36805

Committed negligence, making grossly inconsistent entries in a patient record, unprofessional conduct, and aiding and abetting a violation of the Act by failing to verify the correct tracheostomy (trach) tube size prior to a trach tube change, incorrectly removing

the old trach tube, failing to inspect the patient's stoma after the tube was removed, failing to properly insert the new trach tube, incorrectly changing the trach tube from a smaller tube to larger tube without a physician's order, failing to assess, treat, and monitor the patient after performing the trach tube change, and failing to properly document the procedure and the patient's response to the procedure. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on four (4) years probation effective February 19, 2022.

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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.

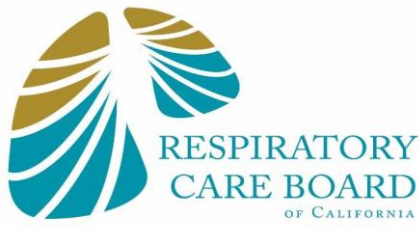
Proposed Decision: A decision rendered by an Administrative Law Judge through an Administrative Hearing. A proposed decision must be adopted by the Board before it can go into effect.

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.



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LUVA, MARTHA CECILIA – RCP 31283

Committed negligence, making grossly inconsistent entries in a patient record, unprofessional conduct, and aiding and abetting a violation of the Act by failing to verify the correct tracheostomy (trach) tube size prior to the tube change, incorrectly changing a patient's trach tube from a smaller tube to larger tube without a physician's order, failing to assess, treat, and monitor the patient after performing the trach tube change, failing to perform a ventilator check, and failing to properly document the procedure and the patient's adverse effects to the procedure. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on four (4) years probation effective February 19, 2022.

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DEANGELO, VINCENT PETER – RCP 41239

Possession of a controlled substance, to wit, Fentanyl, and fraud in the procurement of a license by dishonestly stating he had not been arrested for possession of a controlled substance on his license renewal application. Pursuant to a Default Decision, license revoked effective March 11, 2022.

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