



DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

October 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

NIETO, EDUARDO – RCP 37953

Convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.08% or more on one or more occasions. Engaged in a dishonest act for failing to disclose said convictions. Violated terms of his probation for failing to abstain from the use of mood-altering substances when he tested positive for marijuana metabolite on multiple occasions. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license surrendered effective October 8, 2023.

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DHALIWAL, SIMRANPREET SINGH – RCP 37306

Worked as an RCP while under the influence of alcohol and used alcoholic beverages to an extent or in a manner dangerous to himself or others. Pursuant to a Proposed Decision by an Administrative Law Judge, license revoked effective October 10, 2023.

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CURRAN, CHRISTOPHER – RCP 19263

Violated terms and conditions of probation when Respondent tested positive for fentanyl, a controlled substance and dangerous drug, without a prescription. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, probation continued for a period of three (3) years and subject to all terms and conditions as previously ordered, effective October 19, 2023.

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BROWN, LINNELLE SOULE – RCP 10582

Committed negligence and unprofessional conduct when she failed to offer assistance to a deteriorating patient and wait for additional relief to arrive; she did not address the patient's alarm or conduct a bedside assessment to determine the source of the alarm and what course of action was medically appropriate. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary order for Public Reprimand, license publicly reprimanded effective October 27, 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.

HERNANDEZ, JR., GILBERT O. – RCP 35358

Committed fraud and falsification of a record when he falsified his timecard submitted to his employer, fraudulently claiming that he worked a 12-hour shift at a medical facility when in fact he did not. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on three (3) years probation effective October 27, 2023.

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ACUNA, MICHAEL RYAN – RCP 42394

Convicted of the production of child pornography. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license surrendered effective November 19, 2023.

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GONZALEZ, GEORGE ALBERT – RCP 27033

Committed fraud, negligence, and unprofessional conduct when he falsely documented the medical records of two patients to indicate that he had provided them with respiratory care, in the form of ventilator checks, when he had not in fact provided such care. Pursuant to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, license revoked, stayed, and placed on two (2) years probation effective November 30, 2023.

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TAYLOR, STEPHANIE D. – RCP 32095

Convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.08% or more, and on a separate occasion, arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of 0.08% or more. Pursuant to a Default Decision and Order, license revoked effective December 6, 2023.

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