

**AGENDA**  
**BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING**  
**Department of Public Health**  
**410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT**  
**January 5, 2022 - 8:30 AM**

**Chair Updates**  
**Additional Agenda Items and Reordering of Agenda**  
**Open Forum**  
**National Council of State Boards of Nursing - Update**

**CONNECTICUT LEAGUE FOR NURSING – Monthly Update**

**SCHOOL ISSUES**

- *Sacred Heart University – Temporary Waiver Request*

**SCOPE OF PRACTICE**

**MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

*Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N*    *Petition No. 2021-506*

*Sheryl Lacoursiere, RN, APRN*    *Petition Nos. 2021-1072; 2021-1199*

*Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan*

*Staff Attorney Joelle Newton*

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**Board of Examiners for Nursing (BOEN) meeting 01/05/2022:**

**Sacred Heart University (SHU) :**

SHU is requesting a 6-month temporary waiver for **Haley Naccarato, BSN, RN CCRN** as a clinical instructor for NU 340: Introduction to Adult Nursing. This request will not exceed the 10% outlined in the Regulations. Ms. Naccarato will be providing clinical instruction to junior level students on an adult medical surgical unit at Yale New Haven Hospital. Haley earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in May 2015 from Quinnipiac University and is matriculated in the Master of Science in Nursing, Education program at Western Governors University with an expected graduation date of February 2022. Ms. Naccarato will be oriented to the clinical instructor role by the course coordinator, Christine Douville, MSN, RN and at the clinical site by the Unit Manager of the adult medical surgical unit. Haley's clinical experiences include staff nurse in a long-term facility, and at an acute care hospital on medical, observation, step down and medical intensive care units.



DR. SUSAN L. DAVIS, R.N.,  
& RICHARD J. HENLEY  
COLLEGE OF NURSING  

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Sacred Heart University

December 17, 2021

Helen Smith, RN, MSN  
Nurse Consultant/Investigator  
410 Capitol Ave. MS#12 HSR  
PO Box 340308  
Hartford, CT 06134

Dear Ms. Smith,

Sacred Heart University wishes to petition the State Board of Nurse Examiners for a temporary 6-month waiver for Haley Naccarato, BSN, RN, CCRN, in order to enable her to serve as clinical instructor for the Spring 2022 semester. We propose that Haley Naccarato provides adult med surg clinical instruction at Yale New Haven Hospital (YNHHS) for junior nursing students in their NU 340: Introduction to Adult Nursing course.

Ms. Naccarato holds a BSN degree from Quinnipiac University and is currently completing her MSN in Nursing Education at Western Governors University with an expected graduation date of February 2022. Ms. Naccarato currently functions as a full-time RN at Yale New Haven Hospital in the Medical Intensive Care Unit and Step-Down Unit. The candidate's education, along with her clinical experience, are appropriate to support the requirements of the DHCON course NU 340: Introduction to Adult Nursing.

Christine Douville MSN, RN is the course coordinator and is responsible for the coordination of the NU 340 clinical. Professor Douville will orient Ms. Naccarato to the role of clinical instructor in January 2022. Ms. Naccarato will meet with the unit manager at Yale New Haven Hospital on a medical surgical floor to be oriented to all unit specific policy, procedures protocols before clinical commences.

Sacred Heart University's College of Nursing has 40 full time faculty, 2 part time faculty, approximately 55 UG adjunct clinical faculty, and 10 Graduate adjunct clinical faculty. We currently have one 12-month waiver and one permanent waiver for Adetutu Olomola.

We appreciate the prompt response and support of the Department of Public Health and the State Board of Nurse Examiners. Please feel free to contact me with any further questions at [ferrilloh@sacredheart.edu](mailto:ferrilloh@sacredheart.edu) or 203-416-3931. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Heather Ferrillo", written in a cursive style.

Heather Ferrillo, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, CNE  
Director, First Professional Degree/Second Degree Accelerated Nursing Programs

## Curriculum Vitae

Haley Naccarato, BSN, RN, CCRN  
100 Yankee Peddler Path, Madison CT, 06443  
[haleynaccarato@yahoo.com](mailto:haleynaccarato@yahoo.com)  
(860) 575-6042

Registered Nurse who is completing a master's degree with 6 years as a bedside nurse. Acted as a leader being the charge nurse for 31 patient beds. Involved in teaching nurse's yearly competencies and providing staff of new education released.

### Education

Quinnipiac University, School of Nursing- Hamden CT 2015  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
Western Governors University February 2022  
Master of Science in Nursing Education

### Professional Experience

Yale New Haven Hospital- New Haven, CT 04/2017-Present  
RN, Medical Intensive Care Unit and Step-Down Unit

#### Responsibilities:

- Certified in providing continuous renal replacement therapy, Swan-Ganz pulmonary artery catheters, and intra-aortic balloon pumps
- Monitoring of mechanically and non-invasively ventilated patients
- Placement of peripheral IVs and phlebotomy

Yale New Haven Hospital- New Haven, CT 10/2015-04/2017  
RN, Observation Unit & Medicine Unit  
Apple Rehabilitation Center- Guilford, CT  
RN 09/2015-12/2016  
CNA 12/2014-08/2015

### Certifications

American Heart Association, ACLS 2017-Present  
American Heart Association, BLS 2015-Present  
Critical Care Registered Nurse 2017-Present

### Professional Honors and Recognition

Heart of Gold Honor Recipient 2018  
Clinical and Bed charge Nurse Preceptor 2017-Present  
Clinical Charge Nurse 2016-Present  
YNHH Great Catch Award recipient November 2021  
System wide Life Pack Videos with Resuscitation team November 2020  
Made small video clips on how to use the Life pack 20e for the entire Yale New Haven Hospital System.

### Hospital Committees Membership

Falls and Patient Injury Prevention Committee 2015-2017  
Nursing Education and Mentorship Committee 2018-Present  
CLABSI Committee 2020-Present  
Staffing and Scheduling Committee 2020-Present

### Quality Improvement Projects

Peripheral IV Vasopressor Pilot Study 2018-Present

## Curriculum Vitae

Drug of the Month

2018-Present

### **Peer-Reviewed Presentations**

**Naccarato, H.A.**, and Haney, A., Ucci, P. Assessment of adherence to the heparin based VTE prophylaxis protocol in a general medicine unit. Oral presentation, Yale New Haven Hospital, 2015.

**Naccarato, H.A.** Infection Prevention with a Concentration on Personal Protective Equipment Technique by medical staff. Oral presentation, Quinnipiac School of Nursing Capstone Practicum Project, 2015.



# OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY TRANSCRIPT

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Undergraduate

TO: Haley A. Naccarato

ID Number: [REDACTED]

Major: Nursing

Course	Title	Grd R	Hrs Att	Hrs Cmpt	Hrs Calc	Grade Points
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### Spring 2013

3	131	U.S. History to 18	B+	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.99
3	101	Introduction to So	A-	3.00	3.00	3.00	11.01
IO	212	Anatomy and Physio	B	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.00
IO	212L	Anatomy and Physio	C+	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.33
3	101Y	Intro to Philosoph	A-	3.00	3.00	3.00	11.01

Term 13/SP Totals: 13.00 13.00 13.00 43.34 GPA = 3.33

Cumulative Totals: 66.00 63.00 63.00 194.37 GPA = 3.09

### Fall 2013

JR	300	Core Concepts Nurs	B-	3.00	3.00	3.00	8.01
JR	302	Nursing Sci & Info	C+	3.00	3.00	3.00	6.99
JR	304	Health Promotion/W	B+	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.99
JR	306	Health Assessment	C+	3.00	3.00	3.00	6.99
JR	330L	Holistic Nursing I	A-	2.00	2.00	2.00	7.34
JR	307	Core Nursing Pract	P	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00

Term 13/FA Totals: 16.00 16.00 14.00 39.32 GPA = 2.81

Cumulative Totals: 82.00 79.00 77.00 233.69 GPA = 3.03

### Spring 2014

JR	324	Care Adults Comple	C+	4.00	4.00	4.00	9.32
JR	326	Pathophys & Pharma	A-	2.00	2.00	2.00	7.34
JR	322	Care of Women, Chi	B	4.00	4.00	4.00	12.00
JR	340L	Holistic Nurs Inte	A-	2.00	2.00	2.00	7.34
JR	323	Women, Children&Fa	P	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
JR	325	Adult Care Practic	P	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00

Term 14/SP Totals: 16.00 16.00 12.00 36.00 GPA = 3.00

Cumulative Totals: 98.00 95.00 89.00 269.69 GPA = 3.03

### Fall 2014

JR	400	Psych-Mental Healt	B+	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.99
JR	408	Research & Evid Ba	B-	2.00	2.00	2.00	5.34
JR	424	Care Adults Comple	B+	3.00	3.00	3.00	9.99

**Quinnipiac**  
UNIVERSITY

Joshua D. Berry  
University Registrar

Please visit <https://catalog.qu.edu/transcript-key> for detailed grading & policy information.







12/14/2021

Haley Naccarato

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to certify that Haley Naccarato is currently enrolled as a student at Western Governors University in our Master of Science, Nursing - Education (BSN to MSN) program with term dates of 9/1/2021 through 2/28/2022.

The student is expected to graduate by the end of February 28th, 2022.

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Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Kenzie Parker  
Student Support Specialist  
Western Governors University  
4001 S 700 E Suite #700  
Salt Lake City, UT 84107  
Phone: 877-435-7948 x3119  
Fax: 801-904-0139  
Email: [studentservices@wgu.edu](mailto:studentservices@wgu.edu)

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Monday-Friday 6am to 10pm MT  
Saturday-Sunday 10am to 7pm MT



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12/1/2021

Haley Naccarato

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to certify enrollment for Haley Naccarato at Western Governors University in our Master of Science, Nursing - Education (BSN to MSN) program in term number 3 with term dates of 9/1/2021 through 2/28/2022.

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Please respond if there are any questions

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Shalee Nay'.

Shalee Nay, Assistant

Student Records Department  
Office of the Registrar  
Western Governors University  
877-435-7948 Ext. 3119  
[records@wgu.edu](mailto:records@wgu.edu)

# Western Governors University

4001 S 700 East, #700, Salt Lake City, UT 84107

Academic Transcript

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**Student Name:** Haley Naccarato  
 Other Names:  
 Current Student Status: Active

**Student ID:**  
 Date of Birth:  
 SSN:

**Program:** Master of Science, Nursing - Education  
 (BSN to MSN)

Issued to: Elizabeth Denny  
 DENNYE@SACREDHEART.EDU

Major: Nursing  
 Course Level: Graduate

Date Issued: Dec 13, 2021

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CU	GRD	COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CU	GRD
<b>Term: Jun 2020 - Nov 2020</b>							
EWOB ORA1	Orientation	0	Passed	NURS D028	Advanced Health Assessment for Patients and Populations	3	Passed
NURS D025	Essentials of Advanced Nursing Roles and Interprofessional Practice	2	Passed	Term: Attempted: 15 Completed: 15			
NURS D030	Leadership and Management in Complex Healthcare Systems	3	Passed	<b>Term: Sep 2021 - Feb 2022</b>			
NURS D029	Informatics for Transforming Nursing Care	3	Passed	NURS C922	Emerging Trends and Challenges in 21st Century Nursing Education	2	Passed
NURS D026	Quality Outcomes in a Culture of Value-Based Nursing Care	2	Passed	NURS C946	Nursing Education Field Experience	2	Passed
NURS D024	Professional Presence and Influence	2	Passed	Term: Attempted: 4 Completed: 4			
NURS D031	Advancing Evidence-Based Innovation in Nursing Practice	3	Passed	***** TRANSCRIPT TOTALS *****			
Term: Attempted: 15 Completed: 15						Attempted	Earned
<b>Term: Dec 2020 - May 2021</b>				Total Institution:		34	34
NURS C919	Facilitation of Context-Based Student Centered Learning	2	Passed	Total Transfer/Satisfied:			0
NURS C920	Contemporary Curriculum Design and Development in Nursing Education	2	Passed	Transfer GPA:			0
NURS C918	Evolving Roles of Nurse Educators in Diverse Environments	2	Passed	Overall:		34	34
NURS C921	Assessment and Evaluation Strategies for Measuring Student Learning	3	Passed	***** END OF TRANSCRIPT *****			
NURS D027	Advanced Pathopharmacological Foundations	3	Passed				

  
 Gabrielle Martinez, MS  
 Registrar

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (as amended) prohibits the release of this information without the student's written consent. An official transcript must include the signature of the registrar and the seal of the college or university. This document reports academic information only.

# PHONE CALLS/SCOPE OF PRACTICE QUESTIONS SUMMARY – MONTH: November 2021 (43 calls)

Answered with or without written documents

## APRNs 8 calls:

- 4-Request information on collaborative practice agreements. *Refer to the Department website, Practitioner Licensing and APRN Collaborative Agreements.*
- 2-Request a copy of the APRN scope of practice. *Refer to the Board of Examiners for Nursing (BOEN) website and the Connecticut (CT) Nurse Practice Act (NPA).*
- 2-Can an APRN certified in one practice area, practice in a “new” area with education, verification of competency and a collaborative agreement with a CT licensed physician in the “new” practice area? *Yes.*

## RNs 10 calls:

- 5-Request a copy of the RN scope of practice. *Refer to the BOEN website and the CT NPA.*
- 4-RN requesting an update on license renewal application. *Refer to the Department’s licensing unit (provided e-mail address).*
- Can a RN perform patient physical medical examinations? *No, refer to the BOEN website and the Connecticut NPA.*

## LPNs 10 calls:

- 7-Request a copy of the LPN scope of practice. *Refer to the BOEN website and the CT NPA.*
- LPN requesting an update on license renewal application. *Refer to the Department’s licensing unit (provided e-mail address).*
- 2-Can an LPN work in a Medical Spa and complete cosmetic medical procedures? *No, refer to the Medical Spa Statute, Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 368ll, Section 19a-903 c.*

## ULAP 0 calls:

## Schools 0 calls:

## Guidelines/Other 15 calls:

- 4-In the process of setting up a Medical Spa requesting guidance. *Refer to the Medical Spa Statute, Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 368ll, Section 19a-903 c.*
- 6-Request information on Certified Nursing Assistant programs in CT. *Refer to Department staff who works with the CNA programs in CT (provide e-mail address).*
- 3-Nursing student complaint about program issues. *Refer to the school policy & procedure for grievances to submit a grievance (to the school), discuss the Public Forum portion of each BOEN meeting (may want to participate) and may want to send a complaint to the Office of Higher Education.*

- Owner of a private educational school for Certified Nursing Assistants, requesting information on how to open a Nursing School to train students to become Practical Nurses. *Refer to the BOEN website, the Nursing Education Programs and Licensure Requirements General (the Regulations), Feasibility Study, the CT NPA, and list of Nursing Programs.*
- NCSN survey-licensure eligibility

## SUMMARY SUSPENSION COVER SHEET

In re: Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N.

Petition No. 2021-506

1. Respondent has been licensed as an L.P.N. in Connecticut since August 7, 2008.
2. On or about April 21, 2021, the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter the Board”) issued a memorandum of decision in Petition No. 2017-50 (hereinafter the “Original MOD”), which was to go into effect that same date. Therein the Board found that respondent’s emotional disorders and/or cannabis abuse and/or opioid dependence does, and/or may affect his practice and it placed respondent’s license on probation for four years.
3. On or about May 3, 2021, the Department of Public Health (hereinafter the “Department”) filed a Request for Reconsideration of Memorandum of Decision requesting a reconsideration of the disciplinary terms contained in the Original MOD. On May 19, 2021, upon the Department’s motion, the Board voted to amend the Original MOD.
4. On or about September 15, 2021, the Board issued an amended memorandum of decision in Petition No. 2017-50 (hereinafter the “Amended MOD”), which was to go into effect that same date. Therein, the Board found that respondent’s emotional disorders and/or cannabis abuse and/or opioid dependence does, and/or may affect his practice; it reinstated respondent’s license; it placed respondent’s license on probation for four years; and it initially restricted respondent’s use of the license allowing him to use it only for the purpose of taking a refresher program as further required under the Order.
6. The other conditions imposed under the Amended MOD included, in part, a.) pre-approval of respondent’s employment by the Department; b.) employer reports monthly for years one, two and four, and quarterly for year three; c.) therapy and counseling for chemical dependency; d.) therapist reports monthly for years one and four, and quarterly for years two and three; e.) sponsorship and participation in AA/NA meetings at least ten times a month with written documentation of attendance; f.) observed random urine screens weekly for the first, second and fourth years of probation, and monthly during the third year of probation, with all such screens being negative for the presence of alcohol and drugs except prescribed drugs; g.) notice of, and reporting of, the prescription of controlled substances for greater than two weeks; h.) successful completion of a Board approved L.P.N. refresher course with a clinical component, and passing of the practical nursing licensing examination offered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensing Examination (hereinafter "NCLEX") within 12 months; i.) after passing the NCLEX, respondent's license was to remain on probation for the remainder of the four-year probationary period under the other imposed conditions; and j.) any finding that respondent violated the Order was to subject respondent to sanctions under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 19a-1 7(a) and (c), including, but not limited to, the revocation of his license.

7. From on or about September 15, 2021 to the present, the Department has not received any of the information or documentation that was required to be submitted under the Amended MOD, and the Department has received no information or documentation evidencing respondent's compliance with any of the terms or conditions imposed under the Amended MOD.
8. The above cited facts evidence conduct of the respondent failing to conform to the accepted standards of the nursing profession, they evidence conduct of the respondent constituting violations of the terms of probation as set forth under the Amended MOD, they represent a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety if respondent is allowed to continue to practice, and they constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 19a-17 and 20-99, including, but not necessarily limited to:
  - a. §19a-17(a),
  - b. §19a-17(c),
  - c. §20-99(b)(4), and
  - d. §20-99(b)(5).
9. For the foregoing reasons, the Department believes that respondent's continued practice as a licensed practical nurse represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety. The Department respectfully requests that this Board summarily suspend respondent's license until a full hearing on the merits can be held.

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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In re: Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N.

Petition No. 2021-506

MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") hereby moves, in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut §§4-182(c) and 19a-17(c), that the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing summarily suspend the license of Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N. to practice licensed practical nursing in Connecticut. This motion is based on the attached Statement of Charges, Affidavits and on the Department's information and belief that the continued practice of licensed practical nursing represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 20th day of December 2021.



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Christian D. Andresen, MPH, CPH, Section Chief  
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section  
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In re: Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N.

Petition No. 2021-506

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

Pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §§19a-10 and 19a-14, the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") brings the following charges against Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N.:

COUNT ONE

1. Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N. of Stratford, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") is, and has been at all times referenced in this Statement of Charges, the holder of Connecticut license number 033506.
2. On or about April 21, 2021, the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter the Board") issued a memorandum of decision in Petition No. 2017-50 (hereinafter the "Original MOD"), which was to go into effect that same date. Therein the Board found that respondent's emotional disorders and/or cannabis abuse and/or opioid dependence does, and/or may affect his practice and it placed respondent's license on probation for four years.
3. On or about May 3, 2021, the Department of Public Health (hereinafter the "Department") filed a Request for Reconsideration of Memorandum of Decision requesting a reconsideration of the disciplinary terms contained in the Original MOD. On May 19, 2021, upon the Department's motion, the Board voted to amend the Original MOD.
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5. The other conditions imposed under the Amended MOD included, in part, a.) pre-approval of respondent's employment by the Department; b.) employer reports monthly for years one, two and four, and quarterly for year three; c.) therapy and counseling for chemical dependency; d.) therapist reports monthly for years one and four, and quarterly for years two and three; e.) sponsorship and participation in AA/NA meetings at least ten times a month with written documentation of attendance; f.) observed random urine screens weekly for the first, second and fourth years of probation, and monthly during the third year of probation, with all such screens being negative for the presence of alcohol and drugs except prescribed drugs; g.) notice of, and

reporting of, the prescription of controlled substances for greater than two weeks; h.) successful completion of a Board approved L.P.N. refresher course with a clinical component, and passing of the practical nursing licensing examination offered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensing Examination (hereinafter "NCLEX") within 12 months; i.) after passing the NCLEX, respondent's license was to remain on probation for the remainder of the four-year probationary period under the other imposed conditions; and j.) any finding that respondent violated the Order was to subject respondent to sanctions under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 19a-17(a) and (c), including, but not limited to, the revocation of his license.

6. From on or about September 15, 2021 to the present, the Department has not received any of the information or documentation that was required to be submitted under the Amended MOD, and the Department has received no information or documentation evidencing respondent's compliance with any of the terms or conditions imposed under the Amended MOD.

7. The above facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut §§ 19a-17 and 20-99, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- a. §19a-17(a),
- b. §19a-17(c),
- c. §20-99(b)(4), and
- d. §20-99(b)(5).

## COUNT TWO

8. Paragraphs one through six of Count One are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.

9. From on or about April 21, 2021 to the present, respondent has or had an emotional disorder and/or mental illness.

10. The above facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 19a-17 and 20-99, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- a. §19a-17(a),
- b. §19a-17(c), and
- c. §20-99(b)(4).

11. For the foregoing reasons, the Department believes that respondent's continued practice as a registered nurse represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety.

THEREFORE, the Department prays that:

The Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing, as authorized by the General Statutes of Connecticut, §§ 20-99(b) and 19a-17, revoke, or order other disciplinary action against, the license of Nicholas M. Lewonczyk, L.P.N. as it deems appropriate and consistent with law.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 20th day of December 2021.



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Christian D. Andresen, MPH, CPH, Section Chief  
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section  
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

## SUMMARY SUSPENSION COVER SHEET

In Re: Sheryl Lacoursiere, APRN, RN

Petition No. 2021-1072

Petition No. 2021-1199

1. Sheryl Lacoursiere of Waterbury, Connecticut (“respondent”) received her registered nursing license in 1980 and advanced practice registered nurse license in 2008. She graduated from the University of Connecticut in. She has no prior discipline.
2. On or about August 20, 2021, September 17, 2021, and/or October 15, 2021, respondent provided nursing services for patient number one and violated the standard of care in one or more of the following ways, including, but not limited to, that she:
  - a. fell asleep, was impaired, unavailable and/or unresponsive during patient care;
  - b. failed to appropriately treat patient number one;
  - c. failed to insure patient number one’s privacy and/or confidentiality;
  - d. failed to comply with HIPAA requirements;
  - e. failed to maintain appropriate patient records; and/or,
  - f. engaged in inappropriate and/or unprofessional conduct.
3. On or about September 13, 2021 and/or October 12, 2021, respondent provided nursing services for patient number two and violated the standard of care in one or more of the following ways, including, but not limited to, that she:
  - a. fell asleep, was impaired, unavailable and/or unresponsive during patient care;
  - b. failed to appropriately treat patient number two;
  - c. improperly prescribed medications;
  - d. failed to insure patient number two’s privacy and/or confidentiality;
  - e. failed to comply with HIPAA requirements;
  - f. failed to properly schedule follow-up appointment(s) and/or ongoing care;
  - g. failed to maintain appropriate patient records and/or,
  - h. engaged in inappropriate and/or unprofessional conduct.
4. From approximately August 2021 through the present, respondent has or had one or more illnesses that does and/or may affect her ability to practice nursing.

5. For the foregoing reasons, the Department believes that respondent's continued nursing practice represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety. The Department respectfully requests that the Board summarily suspend respondent's registered and advanced practice registered nurse licenses until a full hearing on the merits can be held.

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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In Re: Sheryl Lacoursiere, APRN, RN

Petition No. 2021-1072

Petition No. 2021-1199

MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The Department of Public Health ("Department") moves, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §§4-182(c) and 19a-17(c), the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing to summarily suspend respondent's Connecticut registered nurse license number E43134 and advanced practice registered nurse license number 003861. This motion is based on the attached Statement of Charges, affidavits, records and the Department's information and belief that respondent's continued nursing practice represents a clear and immediate danger to the public health and safety.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 3rd day of January 2022.



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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In Re: Sheryl Lacoursiere, APRN, RN

Petition No. 2021-1072

Petition No. 2021-1199

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§19a-10 and 19a-14, the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") brings the following charges against Sheryl Lacoursiere:

COUNT ONE

1. Sheryl Lacoursiere of Waterbury, Connecticut ("respondent") holds Connecticut registered nurse license number E43134 and advanced practice registered nurse license number 003861.
2. On or about August 20, 2021, September 17, 2021, and/or October 15, 2021, respondent provided nursing services for patient number one and violated the standard of care in one or more of the following ways, including, but not limited to, that she:
  - a. fell asleep, was impaired, unavailable and/or unresponsive during patient care;
  - b. failed to appropriately treat patient number one;
  - c. failed to insure patient number one's privacy and/or confidentiality;
  - d. failed to comply with HIPAA requirements;
  - e. failed to maintain appropriate patient records; and/or,
  - f. engaged in inappropriate and/or unprofessional conduct.
3. On or about September 13, 2021 and/or October 12, 2021, respondent provided nursing services for patient number two and violated the standard of care in one or more of the following ways, including, but not limited to, that she:
  - a. fell asleep, was impaired, unavailable and/or unresponsive during patient care;
  - b. failed to appropriately treat patient number two;
  - c. improperly prescribed medications;
  - d. failed to insure patient number two's privacy and/or confidentiality;
  - e. failed to comply with HIPAA requirements;
  - f. failed to properly schedule follow-up appointment(s) and/or ongoing care;



- g. failed to maintain appropriate patient records and/or,
  - h. engaged in inappropriate and/or unprofessional conduct.
4. The above facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §20-99 (b), including, but not necessarily limited to §20-99(b)(2).

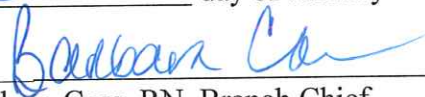
COUNT TWO

5. Paragraphs one through three are incorporated by reference as if set forth in full.
6. From approximately August 2021 through the present, respondent has or had one or more illnesses that does and/or may affect her ability to practice nursing.
7. The above facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §20-99 (b), including, but not necessarily limited to:
- a. §20-99(b)(3); and/or
  - b. §20-99(b)(4).

THEREFORE, the Department prays:

The Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing as authorized by Connecticut General Statutes §§20-99(b) and 19a-17, revoke, or order other disciplinary action against respondent's nursing licenses as it deems appropriate and consistent with law.

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