


## Administration and Discipline

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To: Director of Nursing  
All Nevada Facilities

From: Chris Sansom, R.N.   
Associate Director For Practice

Re: Recent Disciplinary and Licensure/Certification Actions

The Nevada State Board of Nursing between October 31, 2002 and January 24, 2003 took the following disciplinary and licensure/certification actions. Do not use this information to verify licensure/certification status. Actions result from hearings, applications, and/or settlement agreements. Included are all findings of guilt for abuse, neglect or misappropriation placed on the Certified Nursing Assistant Registry by the Bureau of Licensure and Certification. All information contained in this summary is public. You may copy, post or disseminate the information as needed. If you would like to receive e-mail notification when these actions are posted on our web site, rather than receiving this printed copy, please e-mail your request to [reno@nsbn.state.nv.us](mailto:reno@nsbn.state.nv.us)

Individuals placed on probation usually must continue to meet certain conditions as part of their probation requirements. When hiring an individual who is on probation, the Board office of Administration and Discipline in Reno should be contacted for information regarding restrictions and reporting. The office may be reached at 775- 688-2620, or if calling from outside the Reno area, you may call our toll free number, 800-746-3980.

When a license/certificate to practice nursing is revoked, suspended, or surrendered, we request the nurse/CNA return the license/certificate to the Board office; however, we may not receive the license/certificate. When verifying a license/certificate of an individual, note the expiration date and the license/certificate number. Always ask to view the original license/certificate, and do not accept a photocopy. Notify the Board of Nursing immediately if a license/certificate has expired or there is evidence of tampering. If an employer chooses to make a photocopy of the license/certificate for personnel files, it is important that "void" be written across the face of the copied license/certificate. Web verification of licensure/certification is available at [nursingboard.state.nv.us](http://nursingboard.state.nv.us).

Disciplinary and Licensure/Certification Actions taken by the Board  
for the period of October 31, 2002 through January 24, 2003

Please note that this list does not include some outcomes of the January 22-24 Board meeting due to legal notice requirements. Those outcomes will be reported in the next disciplinary actions list.

**Settlement Agreements and/or Hearing Outcomes**

**Bernecky, Kathleen, RN14989**

Agreement for Probation (Disciplinary) for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope and (20) inaccurate recording, falsifying records.

**Bollea, Marcia, RN21400**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order, and NAC632.890 (18) diversion.

**Diggs, Johnny, LPN07579**

Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (27) customary standards.

**Eckl, Joseph, RN33414**

Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320(7), unprofessional conduct, and NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope and (20) inaccurate recording, falsifying records.

**Gager, Lisa, CNA014075**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (2) conviction and (14) violating a Board order.

**Gaunt, Ruenee, CNA001691**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (11) positive urine/drug screen

**Hornbuckle, Gwynne, RN16033**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order.

**Huffman, Karen, RN36304**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890

(35) failure to comply with condition, limitation or restriction.

**Hutto, Erick, RN31880**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct.

**Johnson, Julie, RN023681**

Agreement for Fine for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (36) practicing without a license.

**Joho, Steven, RN27131, LPN08085**

Agreement for Probation (Disciplinary) for violation of NRS 632.320 (2) convictions and (5) impaired ability to practice.

**Jones, Barbara, RN07028**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order.

**Kephart, John, RN26100**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and (11) falsified information to obtain controlled substances, and NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope, (16) failing to document controlled substances, (21) obtaining prescription medications without a prescription, and (27) customary standards.

**Kovarik, Lisa, RN25326**

Voluntary Surrender of License/Certificate in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order.

**Lancry, Beatrice, CNA010412**

Agreement for Probation (Disciplinary) for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (17) borrowing money from a patient.

**Mimnaugh, Tina, CNA002688**

Agreement for Probation (Disciplinary) for violation of 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (28) causing a patient harm.

**O'Neil, Jimmie, LPN11591**

Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (27) customary standards.

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**Palacio, Hasani, RN27190**

Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (2) practicing beyond scope, (24) failure to collaborate, and (27) customary standards.

**Roots, Deborah, CNA008848**

Agreement for Reprimand for violation of NRS 632.320 (1) fraudulent application.

**Schroeder, Jill, RN32328**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order, and NAC 632.890 (18) diverting.

**Smith, Joanne, RN31025**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (9) impaired ability to practice.

**Smith, Steven, RN30724**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (5) controlled substances and (14) violating a Board order, and NAC 632.890 (18) diverting.

**Wilson, Elizabeth, RN28783**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (7) unprofessional conduct and NAC 632.890 (18) diverting.

**Zuniga, Nancy, RN08345**

Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Other Disciplinary Action for violation of NRS 632.320 (1) fraudulent application and (12) discipline in another state.

**Denials of applications for licensure or certification**

For violation of NRS 632.320 (1) Is guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license or certificate pursuant to this chapter.

**Collins, Jodari, EXNA204302**

**Donnelly, Shirley, EXNA204299**

**Hiatt, Jenith, TRN305978**

**Reid, Dion, TCNA001286**

**Villalba, Pablo, TCNA001354**

For violation of NRS 632.320(2) is guilty of a felony or any offense (a) Involving moral turpitude; or (b) Related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensee or holder of a certificate, in such case the record of conviction is conclusive evidence thereof.

**Garza, Leonard, EXNA203622**

**Price, Timothy, CNA002077**

**Rosales, Harim, EXNA204339**

**Thomas, Carmella, EXNA204005**

**Withey, Julie, EXNA204391**

**Citations for Practicing Without a License or Certificate**

**Grandusky, Lisa**

**Findings of guilt for Abuse, Neglect or Misappropriation placed on the Certified Nursing Assistant Registry by the Nevada State Health Division's Bureau of Licensure and Certification**

**Fehlberg, William, CNA013029**

Verbal abuse

**Howard, Mildred, CNA004294**

Verbal/physical abuse

**Jones, Cynthia, CNA13345**

Misappropriation of property

**Licenses/certificates voided for nonpayment of fees**

**Gray, Cheryl, RN37358**

Voided on January 27, 2003

**Everett, Cassandra, CNA012159**

Voided on January 27, 2003

**Solis, Guadalupe, CNA012330**

Voided on January 29, 2003