BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD RESPIRATORY CARE EXAMINERS

In the Matter of:)	CASE NO. 2019-RCE-0071
CHRISTINA E. WILSON, RCP)	
Holder of License No. 012117)	FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS
For the Practice of Respiratory Therapy)	OF LAW AND ORDER FOR DECREE CENSURE
In the State of Arizona)	CHIOCHE

Christina E. Wilson, RCP ("Respondent") appeared before the Arizona Board of Respiratory Care Examiners ("Board") for an informal interview on Thursday, May 16, 2019. Following the testimony of the witness, and presentation of evidence, the Board adopted the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Arizona Board of Respiratory Examiners is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the practice of respiratory care in the State of Arizona pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3501, et seq.
- Christina E. Wilson, RCP, is the holder of License Number 012117 which enables her to practice respiratory care in the State of Arizona. Respondent's license was issued on January 23, 2017 and expires on February 17, 2020.
- 3. Under A.R.S. § 32-3501, *et seq.*, the Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over Respondent as a licensee of the Board.
- 4. On October 1, 2018, Respondent resigned from her position at North Mountain Rehabilitation Center. Respondent had accepted an assignment on the first floor for day shift but encountered an infection control concern that was not being appropriately addressed by management. Respondent unsuccessfully attempted to contact management for approximately an hour and then left the facility after reporting her resignation to the off-site director and CEO by text and submitting her employee badge and radio to the administrative assistant. Respondent

jeopardized patient health, safety, and welfare by failing to appropriately transfer care of her patients before leaving her assignment.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The conduct described in the Factual Allegations may constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3552(A)(3) and may violate the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-3501(10)(i), which states in pertinent part, "Any conduct or practice which is contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the respiratory therapy profession or any conduct or practice which does or might constitute a danger to the health, welfare or safety of the patient or the public." Specifically, conduct as described in A.A.C. R4-45-214(10) which states, "Abandoning or neglecting a patient, including leaving a respiratory therapy assignment before properly advising supervisory personnel."

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** that License No. 012117 issued to Christina E. Wilson shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Respondent shall be issued a **DECREE OF CENSURE**; and
- 2. Respondent shall submit THREE (3) hours of **APPROVED CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS** in the areas of (1) ethics, (2) infection prevention, and (3) patient care no later than NINETY (90) days from the effective date of this Order. All costs associated with complying with the terms of this Order are to be paid by Respondent. These continuing education units shall be in addition to the normal continuing education units required for the current license renewal period.

NOTICE

In order to be eligible for judicial review pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 7, Article 6, you are required to exhaust your administrative remedies by filing a motion for rehearing or review

of the Board's decision within thirty-five days after these Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order are mailed to you at your last known address, or thirty days after they are personally served upon you. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.09(B), you are notified that failure to file a motion for rehearing or review at the Board's office by that date has the effect of prohibiting you from seeking judicial review of the Board's decision

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DATED THIS 2017 DAY OF MAY, 2019.
ARIZONA BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE EXAMINERS

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Original Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order filed this 2014 day May, 2019 with the:

Arizona Board of Respiratory Examiners 1740 West Adams Street, Suite 3406 Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Copy of the foregoing sent by certified, regular and electronic mail this 201# day of May, 2019 to:

Christina E. Wilson, RCP Address of Record