

REPRIMAND WITH CONSENT
CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN
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CLPNNS, Reg. #9682



On May 22, 2003, the Complaints Committee of the CLPNNS (College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Nova Scotia) ordered that pursuant to Section 24 (1) (1) (v) of the Licensed Practical Nurses Regulations and with Mr. Andersen's consent, Mr. Andersen be issued a reprimand for professional misconduct.

In a letter of complaint dated July 22, 2002, the complaint alleged that Mr. Andersen breached Standards of Practice of a Licensed Practical Nurse. Mr. Andersen was hired to work as a Camp Nurse and while employed failed to document medications administered and failed to maintain accurate records of client care in regard to medication records.

Reasons for Reprimand

Information presented to the Complaints Committee and admissions by the respondent confirmed a breach by Christian Andersen to the Standards of Nursing Practice 1 & 5 (Ref LPN Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice, 1999).

Standard 1 – The LPN

- failed to follow legal requirements required for the documentation of care, maintenance of records
- failed to demonstrate through actions his competency as a member of the health care team, who functions to deliver patient care based on knowledge and clinical ability, linked with the use of sound decision making skills.

Standard 5 – The LPN

- failed to collaborate with other members of the team by accepting appropriate responsibilities
- failed to ensure continuity of care through the documentation of significant data

The Committee unanimously determined that the allegations were proven and that Christian Andersen's actions constituted professional misconduct. The Committee ordered a reprimand with consent.

On the June 9, 2003, Mr. Andersen consented to the reprimand.