

Virginia Board of Nursing

Noncompliance with Prior Board Orders

A licensee may be placed under terms of continued practice by Order of the Board of Nursing that may include probation with terms, paying a monetary penalty, completing courses, submitting to a mental health and chemical dependency evaluation, and/or entering into and complying with the Health Practitioner's Monitoring Program (HPMP).

When such licensees do not comply with the terms stated in said Order, they are deemed "noncompliant" and may be scheduled for an administrative proceeding to consider further disciplinary action up to and including suspension or revocation of a license.

The Board will typically take the following actions based upon the following types of noncompliance with a prior Board order. Further, the Board authorizes professional discipline staff of the Board to offer prehearing consent orders consistent with the guidance listed below, in lieu of conducting an administrative proceeding for such cases of noncompliance:

Type of Non-compliance	Typical Board action
Failure to pay monetary penalty within specified time in Order (or granted extension)	Reprimand and indefinite suspension until meets the term
Failure to submit verification of completing course(s), watching video, or other remedial terms within specified time in Order (or granted extension)	Reprimand and indefinite suspension until meets the term
Failure to obtain and submit evidence of a mental health/chemical dependency evaluation within time specified in Order (or granted extension)	Reprimand and indefinite suspension until meets the term; then original Order continues (if applicable)
Failure to follow treatment recommendations within 60 days following a mental health/chemical dependency evaluation	Reprimand and indefinite suspension until evidence has done so; then original Order continues (if applicable)
Failure to enter the Virginia HPMP within time specified in Order (or granted extension)	Reprimand and Indefinite suspension which may be stayed if enters HPMP; Note: Board may also consider other justifiable facts for an alternative action (i.e., Reprimand and place on probation with similar monitoring terms)
Noncompliance constituting dismissal from HPMP when a prior Board order required entry into and remaining in compliance with HPMP	Reprimand and indefinite suspension
Noncompliant, but evidence licensee is back in compliance with terms of Order by the time of the proceeding	Reprimand and extend period of probation monitoring equivalent to the period the licensee was noncompliant
Noncompliant licensee on probation, with late	Reprimand and extend length of probation

reports on more than 3 occasions	monitoring for 6 months
One positive urine drug screen test, without appropriate prescription documentation	Reprimand and extend probation additional 6 months and increase frequency of urine drug screening
Two or more positive urine drug screen test, without appropriate prescription documentation	Reprimand and indefinite suspension
Licensee who has not contacted Compliance Case Manager of Board of Nursing at all in response to Order and has demonstrated no evidence of compliance with any terms of Order, within 60 days of entry of said Order	Reprimand and indefinite suspension
Licensee on probation who has contacted Compliance Case Manager of Board of Nursing, but has not complied with any terms of Order for any 6 month (two quarters of reports due) period of monitoring.	Reprimand and indefinite suspension
Second incidence of noncompliance of the same Board Order being adjudicated	Reprimand and indefinite suspension
Licensee has stayed compliant for more than 5 years with terms of a probation order entered prior to December 1, 2011, except that the period of work as a nurse is not met.	Modify existing probation order to continue on indefinite probation, require licensee begin employment no later than one (1) year from entry of the modified order, and require completion of two (2) years of employment within a period of three (3) years from entry date of the modified order. Further, during the two-year period of practice, all other relevant terms and conditions of the previous order are re-imposed.
Subsequent Noncompliance: If all terms of the modified order are not met within the three-year specified time frame	Reprimand and Indefinite Suspension
Failure to comply within five (5) years with all terms of a probation order entered after December 1, 2011. (This does not apply to HPMP orders.)	Reprimand and Indefinite Suspension

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