



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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February 3, 2010

Stacey Andrus
63 C. W. Miller Road
Deville, LA 71328

RE: Consent Order

Dear Ms. Andrus,

Enclosed is your copy of the signed Consent Order which resulted from the Hearing held before the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gaudin
Cheryl Gaudin
Executive Director

Cc: Glenn Ducote

enclosure

**In the Matter of
STACEY ANDRUS, Applicant**

* **LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY**
* **BOARD**
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* Case Number 2010-

REINSTATEMENT ORDER

By order of the Board in February, 2008, the license of physical therapist assistant Stacey Andrus was revoked based upon evidence then before the Board. One of the provisions of that order was that Applicant Stacey Andrus could apply for reinstatement of her license any time after March 1, 2010 pursuant to the requirements of Board rule 349.

Applicant appeared before the Board on April 22, 2010, and addressed the issues which brought about her license revocation and the steps toward rehabilitation which she had taken since losing her license. Appearing with Applicant were her parents, with whom she now resides. Applicant also presented letters of recommendation and documentation of successful completion of treatment for substance abuse and addiction and final disposition of criminal charges which had been lodged against Applicant. After discussion of Applicant's presentation, the Board set forth the following conditions for the reinstatement of her license:

- (1) Have physical, psychological and substance abuse evaluations conducted by Board designated professionals at Ms Andrus expense;
- (2) Provide releases for Ms Andrus prior medical records for review by Board consultant;
- (3) Statements from Ms Andrus last two supervising physical therapists;
- (4) Statement from Reliant Home Health on her service and consequences of her conduct;
- (5) Begin random drugs screens and NA or AA meeting attendance now until further notice at Ms Andrus expense;
- (6) NCIC records check.

Applicant has now completed items 1-5 and the NCIC records check, which takes considerable time, is underway.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Applicant has now completed those conditions which are within her control that were set by the Board for the reinstatement of her license as a physical therapist assistant.
2. The NCIC record review requested by the Board is pending and Applicant agrees that the maintenance of her license is conditioned upon a report satisfactory to the Board once that review is completed.
3. Applicant has taken and passed the NPTE for physical therapist assistants as

required by Rule 349A and has met with the Board and complied with the additional requirements established for reinstatement of her revoked license.

4. Applicant agrees to participate in substance abuse recovery activities as directed by Board representatives and to document and report on such activities to the Board.

5. Applicant agrees to the other terms of this Reinstatement Order as set forth below.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Rule 349, the Board has the authority to reinstate a license which has been revoked.

2. Applicant Stacey Andrus has met the requirements set forth by the Board as pre-requisites to re-taking the NPTE for physical therapist assistants and has passed that examination.

DECISION

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board having met with and heard from Applicant and determined that she has complied with those conditions set forth for reinstatement of licensure as a physical therapist assistant, the Board, by vote of quorum, orders as follows:

A. Applicant's license as a physical therapist assistant is reinstated effective November 8, 2010.

B. Applicant's license is placed on probation for five years from November 8, 2010, during which period her practice will be subject to random monitoring at her place of employment by Board representatives. For each random monitoring visit Applicant shall remit to the Board the sum of \$150 as partial reimbursement for the cost of such monitoring visit.

C. During the probationary period Applicant shall not work in a home health setting.

D. During the probationary period Applicant shall provide to the Board the names of all physical therapists who provide supervision to Applicant and shall authorize her supervising physical therapists to discuss her job performance and attendance with Board representatives.

E. Prior to beginning employment to provide physical therapy services, Applicant shall present to her employer copies of the 2008 Consent Order revoking her license and this

Reinstatement Order and her employer shall acknowledge in writing to the Board that these Board orders have been received and reviewed. This procedure shall be complied with for every employer of Applicant during her probationary period.

F. Applicant shall attend and participate in no less than two twelve-step or equivalent recovery meetings each week during her probationary period and shall provide documentation of such attendance in a form acceptable to the Board. Applicant

shall designate a "sponsor" in her recovery program and shall authorize that sponsor to discuss with Board representatives her participation in recovery activities. During her probationary period, Applicant will be screened through urine, blood and hair specimens on a random basis for any evidence of substance abuse and shall reimburse the Board for expenses associated with such testing. Applicant shall comply with instructions from the Executive Director for communicating and completing random drug screens.

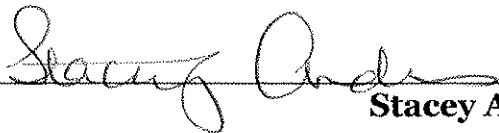
G. During the first month of her probationary period, Applicant shall write and submit to the Executive Director an essay of approximately 750 words describing the behavior, choices and actions which resulted in the revocation of her license as a physical therapist assistant, what actions she has taken to change directions, and what she has learned from the experience of license revocation and reinstatement.

H. During each year of her probationary period, Applicant shall complete a continuing education course in ethics in physical therapy practice, which course shall be approved in advance by the Executive Director.

I. Should the pending NCIC records check reveal evidence of criminal conduct not reported to the Board by Applicant, this license reinstatement shall be revoked and Applicant agrees to return all evidence of licensure.

J. All communications regarding this Reinstatement Order shall be in writing between Applicant and the Board Executive Director. No verbal communication shall be considered as proof of compliance or commitment.


SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED on this 8th day of November, 2010.



Stacey Andrus

Pursuant to official action of the Board, on April 22, 2010 and signed this 22nd day of November, 2010.

BOARD **LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY**



Dan Wood, P.T., Chair