

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL
LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

**In Re: STEVEN WOODS, NHA
Lic. No.: 3469**

**ORDER OF EMERGENCY
SUSPENSION – 10/27/22**

Docket No.: 2022-NHA-001

I. CASE SUMMARY/PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, Division of Enforcement (“OPLC Enforcement”), acting on behalf of the Board of Nursing Home Administrators (“Board”), has received a complaint against Steven Woods (“Licensee”) alleging violations of RSA 151-A:11, I(a) when the Licensee, unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other causes, failed to provide appropriate and adequate care to either long-term or short-term residents in his care at Pleasant View Center, Concord, NH, resulting in emergency medical treatment at Concord Hospital, including the admission of one patient in critical condition and another patient to suffer urine burns as a result of inadequate and/or negligent habits employed by Pleasant View Center. On 10/27/22, the Board voted to suspend the Licensee’s license on an emergency basis pursuant to RSA 541-A:30 III, RSA 310-A:1-m, RSA 151-A:8 IV, N.H. Code Admin. R., Title Nuh 402.02(f) ("Rules"), and/or N.H. Code Admin. R., Title Plc 206.07 (“Plc”). This Order of Emergency Suspension follows.

II. LEGAL STANDARD:

“Upon complaint or other knowledge of a nursing home administrator's violation of any provision of this chapter and for the health, safety, and protection of the public, the board is granted emergency license suspension authority. The board may immediately suspend an administrator's license to practice,

pending notice and hearing as provided under RSA 541-A. For any license so suspended, the board shall also notify the bureau of health facilities administration.” RSA 151-A:8, IV. “When the board receives information indicating that a licensee has engaged in or is likely to engage in professional conduct which poses an immediate danger to the public welfare, the board shall issue an order pursuant to RSA 541-A:30, III which sets forth the alleged misconduct and immediately suspends the license for up to 10 days pending completion of an adjudicative proceeding on the specified issues.” Nuh 402.02(f).

II. EVIDENCE PRESENTED AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

A. Evidence Presented

The Board was presented with and/or considered the following evidence: 1) testimony from Michael Porter, Investigation Bureau Chief for OPLC Enforcement. The Board also relied on its medical and professional expertise and knowledge of the field of nursing home administration. A review of the credible evidence presented, and the reasonable inferences taken therefrom, allows the Board to make the following findings of fact.

B. Findings of Fact

The Licensee is actively licensed in New Hampshire as a registered Nursing Home Administrator (“NHA”) with license number 3469 and has served as the Nursing Home Administrator for Pleasant View Nursing Home in Concord, New Hampshire (“Nursing Home”) since at least August of 2022. As of 10/27/22, he still serves in that capacity for the Nursing Home.

IV. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The Board finds there is a reasonable basis to suspend the Licensee’s NHA New Hampshire license on an emergency basis. There is sufficient evidence to find the Licensee, unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other causes, failed to provide appropriate and adequate care to either long-term or short-term residents in his care at Pleasant View Center, Concord, NH resulting in emergency medical

treatment at Concord Hospital, including the admission of one patient in critical condition and another patient to suffer urine burns as a result of inadequate and/or negligent habits employed by Pleasant View Center. The Licensee's conduct, on its face, therefore, warrants immediate emergency suspension of his license pursuant to RSA 541-A:30 III, and RSA 151-A:8 IV, pending an adjudicative emergency suspension hearing. Further, this conduct also appears, on its face, a violation of RSA 151-A:11, I(a).

IV. ORDERS:

Pursuant to RSA 541-A:30 III, RSA 310-A:1-m, and RSA 151-A:8 IV, the Board hereby orders the immediate emergency suspension of Steven Woods's license as Nursing Home Administrator, pending an adjudicative emergency hearing in this matter. A Notice of Emergency Hearing with an appropriate date/time shall follow forthwith.

DATED: 10/27/2022

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