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**CERTIFIED MAIL
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Rachel Cooper
209 W. 6th Street
Quitman, LA 71268

RE: LICENSE SUSPENSION

Dear Ms. Cooper:

Your license to practice as a licensed practical nurse in the State of Louisiana is hereby immediately suspended for violating your board order, dated October 15, 2015.

On your 2016 renewal application you documented that you are employed with Landmark Nursing and Rehab. However, according to the board's records your employer is Leslie Lake Retirement Center. You have failed to comply with the following sections of your board order:

Stipulation 4: **Notify board of change of address/telephone number/employment:**

- A. The respondent shall notify the board in writing within **ten (10) days** of any change in personal address, telephone number, or employment. Changes in employment include accepting a new job, as well as resignation, or termination.

Stipulation 5: **Employment:**

- ii. Upon obtaining new employment as an lpn, the respondent shall enter into the board's **Employer's Agreement** (form(s) issued by board) with the prospective employer. The signed form(s) shall be submitted to the board office within **ten (10) days** of the date of hire.

You may not practice as a practical nurse in the state of Louisiana while your license is suspended. You must immediately cease the practice of practical nursing. In addition, you must return your license to the Board of Practical Nurse Examiners no later than 10 days from the date of this letter. Failure to return your license and/or continuing to work while your license is suspended will result in further disciplinary action, which may include permanent revocation.

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As stated in your board order the following violations apply if you do not comply with the mandated stipulations:

VIOLATIONS

Failure to comply with any and/or all sections of this order may result in any and/or all of the following: a) immediate suspension of license, b) indefinite suspension of license, c) ineligibility for annual renewal of license, d) additional fines/penalties up to \$500.00 per occurrence, e) increased probationary period, f) summary suspension, and/or g) revocation.

This suspension is a matter of public record and is reportable to the national disciplinary data bank and any and all other appropriate agencies, including health care employers.

After you have returned your license, you may then submit a written request for reinstatement which must include your \$250.00 fine, payable by cashier's check or money order only. In addition, you must submit a \$150.00 license reinstatement fee, payable by cashier's check or money order only.

Upon receipt of the reinstatement fee and fine, your practical nursing license will be reinstated and returned to you.

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M. Lynn Ansardi RN
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