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April 19, 2016

**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
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Tynisha Patterson
811 Montgomery Rd
Opelousas, LA 70570

License # 220397

Dear Ms. Patterson:

The Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners has received a report concerning an incident that occurred on April 3, 2016. A child was seen in the emergency room with bruising on the arm and leg. Staff alerted the police, who discovered that you had beaten this child with a belt. Another adult had tried to stop you, but you would not stop. You did not stop beating the child until you were "out of breath". You were jailed and charged with Domestic Abuse Battery. A temporary restraining order was placed against you.

Your Louisiana practical nursing license was placed on probation on March 30, 2016, for an allegation of verbal and physical abuse of a resident in your care.

Louisiana Revised Statutes, 49:961 (C), in pertinent part, provides: "If the agency finds that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, and incorporates a finding to the effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action." LSA-R.S. 49:961(C).

The board has determined that the allegations against you are sufficiently serious to **summarily suspend your LPN license**, in accordance with the above cited authority, and hereby, issues the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that based on the information and/or record(s) obtained by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, and a finding "that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action", in accordance with LSA-R.S. 49:961(C), the LPN license of the above named respondent, **Tynisha Patterson**, is hereby summarily suspended, pending proceedings for revocation or other action, in accordance with Louisiana law.

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Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners
M. Lynn Ansardi, RN, Executive Director

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You must immediately cease and desist the practice of practical nursing and return your current practical nursing license to the Board office.

The board will schedule your case for the next available formal hearing and will notify you by mail of the date and time. Moreover, the board will continue its investigation of the allegations against you, about which you will be notified by Formal Complaint, to determine if you are in violation of the following:

2. being guilty of a crime;
3. being unfit, or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit or other causes;
4. being habitually intemperate or addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs;
8. being guilty of unprofessional conduct;
 - j. intentionally committing any act that adversely affects the physical or psychosocial welfare of the patient;
 - n. being convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability of the nurse to practice practical nursing with due regard for the health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding including, but not limited to, expungement or nonadjudication or pardon;
 - o. being guilty of moral turpitude;
 - t. violating any provisions of R.S. 37:961 et seq. (the practical nursing practice act), as amended or aiding or abetting therein.

Louisiana Revised Statute, Title 37, Chapter 11. Nurses, Part II. Practical Nurses, Section 969, et. seq.

Furthermore, you should immediately submit to our office a detailed narrative response to the allegation.

Sincerely,

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
PRACTICAL NURSE EXAMINERS**

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Executive Director

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