

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NURSING

Substance Addiction Recovery Program (SARP) Policy 17-01

Title	Board Delegation of Authority to Activate the License Suspension Provisions of a SARP Participant's Consent Agreement for SARP Participation (CASP)
Purpose	The Board of Registration in Nursing (Board) adopts this policy to expedite action on a nursing license in circumstances where certain substantiated conduct of a SARP Participant poses a serious risk to public health, safety and welfare. This policy facilitates timely actions on certain substantiated violations of a CASP.
Date Adopted	March 8, 2017 (adopted), August,10, 2022 (revised)
Policy	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Executive Director (ED) of the Board may issue an Initial Notice of Intent to Suspend the Participant's nursing license within 3 days, based on the Participant's non-compliance with the Participant's CASP, upon receipt of documentary evidence, which may include an affidavit of a percipient witness, of the following:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. The SARP Participant admits that they engaged in diversion of any drug after the effective date of the Participant's CASP whether or not for the Participant's personal use.b. The SARP Participant engages in nursing practice during any period in which they have not yet been granted nursing practice privileges or in excess of SAREC approved nursing practice privileges.2. If the participant does not request a hearing within the time allotted in the initial notice of intent to suspend, the Executive Director shall issue a Final Notice of Suspension and shall change the participant's license status to "Suspended."3. If the participant requests a hearing within the time allotted in the initial notice of intent to suspend, the Executive Director shall issue a Hearing Notice and Suspension pending Hearing. The Executive Director shall schedule a hearing on the next scheduled Board meeting date and shall change the participant's license status to "Suspended."
Other	In the event that the Executive Director is unavailable or unable to act in a

authorized individuals	timely manner to implement this policy, the Board authorizes Deputy Executive Director or the Bureau Director to act as authorized in this policy.
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