

NORTH CAROLINA RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD

1100 Navaho Drive, Suite 242 Raleigh, NC 27609

CONSENT ORDER

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IN THE MATTER OF: THOMAS W. BECKOM RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSE #1700

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WHEREAS the North Carolina Respiratory Care Board (the "Board") is charged with the administration of The Respiratory Care Practice Act, codified in the North Carolina General Statutes at G.S. 90-646 et Seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS the Licensee was found practicing Respiratory Care in North Carolina with a Lapsed Respiratory Care Practitioner license in violation of G.S. 90.659(a)(1) c and G.S. 90.661(1)(2)(3) and (4), and

WHEREAS the Board conducted an investigation pursuant to G.S. 90-652 (5) into the activities of Licensee to determine if he has violated, is violating, or is about to violate any provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS at midnight on May 23, 2004 the RCP license issued to the Licensee expired, and

WHEREAS the Board staff on May 26, 2004 was informed that the Licensee was practicing Respiratory Care with a lapsed license by telephone interview with the licensee's supervisor at Northern Hospital of Surry County, Mt. Airy, North Carolina, and

WHEREAS Board policy authorizes the Executive Director to issue a Reprimand to individuals found practicing Respiratory Care with a lapsed license within one (1) year of the expiration date of the license, and

WHEREAS Licensee agrees to the entry of this Consent Order, and voluntarily agrees to waive any rights to a hearing upon entry of this Consent Order, and waives the right to seek judicial review or otherwise challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order,

AND WHEREAS upon the entry of this Consent Order, this matter will be resolved with the express understanding that the Licensee will comply with all of the terms contained herein.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Licensee shall continue to comply with the Act, the Board's Rules, and the Board's interpretation of those rules.

Licensee agrees to the issuance of a Board Reprimand for his violations of the Act.

Licensee agrees to pay to the Board within 30 days from the date of signature of the consent order, the sum of \$250.00 for Civil Penalties authorized by G.S. 90-666(a) and 21 NCAC 61.0309 (d)(1).

Entry of this Consent Order by the Board is without prejudice to the right of the Board to take any administrative action against Licensee to enforce this Consent Order if the Board determines that Licensee is not fully complying with any term or condition stated herein; and,

This Consent Order shall become final when accepted by the Licensee and entered by the Board based on the execution by its Executive Director.

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CONSENT TO ISSUANCE OF ORDER BY LICENSEE

I, Thomas W. Beckom state that I have read the foregoing Consent Order; that I know and fully understand its contents; that I agree freely and without threat or coercion of any kind to comply with the terms and conditions stated herein; and that I consent to the entry of this Consent Order, as a condition of maintaining my license from the North Carolina Respiratory Care Board.

Thomas W. Beckom

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF GRATSON WAKE

There personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Wake, State of North Carolina, Thomas W. Beckom, who after having presented documentation of his identity that was satisfactory to me did acknowledge that he executed the foregoing Consent Order as his free and voluntary act.

My Commission Expires: 12-8-07

ENTRY OF CONSENT ORDER ON BEHALF OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD:

Based on the agreement of the Licensee and the authority previously conveyed by resolution of the Board, the foregoing Consent Order is entered at Raleigh, North Carolina

This 27th day of MAY 2004

Hoysl E. Boyer, RRT, RCP
Executive Director