

1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD
2 OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

3 In the Matter of

4 **RACHEL A. PTAK, P.A.**

5 Holder of License No. 4582
6 For the Performance of Healthcare Tasks
7 In the State of Arizona

Case No. PA-11-0014A

**ORDER FOR LETTER OF REPRIMAND
AND CONSENT TO SAME**

8 Rachel A. Ptak, P.A. ("Respondent") elects to permanently waive any right to a
9 hearing and appeal with respect to this Order for Letter of Reprimand; admits the
10 jurisdiction of the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants ("Board"); and
11 consents to the entry of this Order by the Board.

12 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

13 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of
14 physician assistants in the State of Arizona.

15 2. Respondent is the holder of license number 4582 for the performance of
16 health care tasks in the State of Arizona.

17 3. The Board initiated case number PA-11-0014A after receiving notification of
18 from the Medical Director of Emergency Services at Tucson Medical Center (TMC) that
19 alleged an antibiotic prescription written by PA Ptak on a TMC prescription pad for patient
20 CK on January 31, 2011 did not contain her supervising physician's name.

21 4. Board staff's investigation into this matter revealed that CK was not a patient
22 of TMC and that Respondent had not been employed at TMC since May 31, 2010.
23 Respondent explained that she made an inadvertent mistake by using a prescription pad
24 from a uniform that she wore when she worked at TMC. Respondent stated that she re-
25 issued a prescription to the pharmacy and destroyed the old prescription pad to avoid
future errors.

1 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights
2 to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to
3 challenge this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of
4 action related thereto or arising from said Order.

5 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its
6 Executive Director.

7 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this
8 matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving
9 the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended
10 or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government
11 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or
12 any other state or federal court.

13 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy
14 thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the
15 entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any
16 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved
17 by the parties.

18 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal
19 disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data
20 Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.

21 8. If any part of the Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the
22 remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

23 9. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a
24 defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice,
25 prejudgment or other similar defense.

1 10. Any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct
2 and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-2501(21)(d) ("violating a formal
3 order, probation agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its
4 executive director") and 32-2551.

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6 Rachel A. Ptak, PA

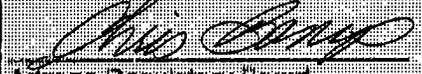
DATED: 11/17/2011

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9 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed
10 this 17 day of November, 2011 to:

11 Rachel A. Ptak, P.A.
12 Address of Record

13 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed
14 this 17 day of November, 2011 with:

15 Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants
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