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DeeDee Hicks
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RE: CEASE AND DESIST LETTER

Dear DeeDee Hicks:

The Board of Nursing has received information that you have been representing yourself as a Certified Nursing Assistant when working through registry at Heritage Health Care Center, in Globe, Arizona.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1666(A) (3): (A) It is unlawful for a person not licensed or certified under this chapter to: (3) Represent or use any title, abbreviation, letters, sign, card or device to indicate that he or any other person is a licensed practical nurse or a certified nursing assistant.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1649: Only a person who is currently certified by the board to practice as a nursing assistant shall use the title "certified nursing assistant" and the abbreviation "CNA".

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1646(A)(1): (A) In the regulation of nursing assistants the board may: (1) Refer criminal violations of this article to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1667(2): A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who: (2) Engages in any conduct prohibited in section 32-1666.

The Arizona Board of Nursing demands that you immediately cease and desist implying to the public of Arizona that you are a Certified Nursing Assistant.

Be advised that the Board will turn your case over to the appropriate law enforcement agency and proceed with criminal action in a court of law.

If you have any questions regarding our investigation of the complaint, please contact Jeanine Sage at (602) 889-5174.

Sincerely,

Joey Ridenour, R.N., M.N.
Executive Director
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