



Bord Altranais agus
Cnáimhseachais na hÉireann
Nursing and Midwifery Board
of Ireland

**Findings and Decisions
Following
Fitness to Practise Committee Inquiries
(Nurses Act, 1985)**

NAME: Mary Teresa McHugh; PIN: 60280

Findings of the Fitness to Practise Committee: Professional misconduct

Allegations proven:

That you, being a registered nurse, while employed at X Hospital, (the "Hospital"):

On one or more of the following dates, requisitioned some or all of the following medication for X Ward of the Hospital in circumstances where you knew ought to have known that some or all of the medication was not required for patient use:

- On or around 18 August 2010, requisitioned a supply of diazepam 5mg tablets and/or diazepam 2mg tablets;
- On or around 18 August 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets;
- On or around 3 September 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets;
- On or around 25 September 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets and/or Xanax 0.25mg tablets;
- On or around 13 October 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets and/or diazepam 5mg tablets;
- On or around 10 November 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets;
- On or around 27 November 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets and/or Xanax 0.25mg tablets;
- On or around 1 December 2010, requisitioned a supply of Surmontil 50mg tablets;

- On or around 9 December 2010, requisitioned a supply of Xanax 0.25mg tablets;

On one or more unspecified dates between on or about 18 August 2010 and on or about 1 December 2010, without any or adequate authority, took from X Ward of the Hospital, one or more of the following tablets, when you knew or ought to have known that this was not appropriate:

- 154 Surmontil 50mg tablets;

Supplied and/or provided one or more of the tablets referred to above to Ms A, staff member of the Hospital, when you knew or ought to have known that this was inappropriate.

Sanction: Pursuant to Section 39 (1) of the Nurses Act, 1985, Ms. McHugh's name was **erased** from the register of nurses and midwives (the Register). The decision to erase Ms. McHugh's name from the Register was confirmed by the High Court on 10th October 2016.