

(32) Abandons a patient; or

(33) Is a director of nursing, or acts in the capacity of a director of nursing and knowingly employs an individual who is not authorized to perform delegated nursing duties under this subtitle.

(b) If, after a hearing under § 8-317 of this title, the Board finds that there are grounds under subsection (a) of this section to suspend or revoke a certificate to practice as a certified nursing assistant or certified medication technician, to reprimand a certificate holder, or place a certificate holder on probation, the Board may impose a penalty not exceeding \$500 instead of or in addition to suspending or revoking the certificate, reprimanding the certificate holder, or placing the certificate holder on probation.

(c) (1) An individual whose certificate has been suspended or revoked by the Board shall return the certificate to the Board.

(2) If the suspended or revoked certificate has been lost, the individual shall file with the Board a verified statement to that effect.

(d) The Board shall file a notice for publication in the earliest publication of the Maryland Register of each revocation or suspension of a certificate under this section within 24 hours of the revocation or suspension.

(e) If a certificate issued under this subtitle is suspended or revoked for a period of more than 1 year, the Board may reinstate the certificate after 1 year if the certificate holder meets the requirements for reinstatement as established by the Board in regulations.

~~8-6A-10.1.~~

~~(A) IF THE BOARD CONDUCTS AN INVESTIGATION UNDER THIS TITLE AND FINDS THAT THERE ARE NO GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE UNDER § 8-6A-10 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD MAY:~~

~~(1) SEND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER A LETTER OF EDUCATION THAT ADVISES THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER OF THE WAYS IN WHICH THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER MAY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CARE THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER PROVIDES TO PATIENTS; AND~~

~~(2) SEND THE PERSON WHO FILED A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER UNDER INVESTIGATION AN ADVISORY LETTER THAT INFORMS THE PERSON OF THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD.~~

~~(B) THE BOARD MAY SEND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NOTICE OF AN ADVISORY LETTER SENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION.~~

~~(C) ON REQUEST, THE BOARD MAY MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AN ADVISORY LETTER SENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION.~~

~~(D) IF THE BOARD SENDS A LETTER OF EDUCATION OR AN ADVISORY LETTER UNDER THIS SECTION, THE ACTION MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED A DISCIPLINARY~~