

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE NURSING PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE June 14, 2011**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The committee meeting was called to order by Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, at 9:00 a.m., at the Board of Nursing offices via videoconference between 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada 89502, and 2500 W. Sahara, Ste. 207, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, RN, Board Executive Director, Chair  
Cathy Dinauer, RN                      Gayle LaChance-Bulger, RN  
Lisa Mantkus, RN                      Judith Carrion, RN  
Marti Cote, RN                          Gail Alexander, RN  
Holly Carpenter-Filson, RN      Margaret Konieczny, RN, MSN  
Diane Allen, RN                      Leighanne Shirey, RN, BSN  
Cynthia Gorham, RN, BSN, MHA

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Kelly Espinoza, RN, Board Liaison  
Vicky Hardaway, RN  
Zona Hickstein, RN

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Patty Shutt, LPN, Site Operations Supervisor  
Sherri Twedt, RN, Nurse Investigator  
Jeanette Belz, Nevada Psychiatric Association  
Mary Eaton, Nevada Department of Corrections  
Terry Jacobs, Nevada Department of Corrections  
Beth Ulbrich, Medical Aesthetic Training of California  
Julia Pettis, Medical Aesthetic Training of California  
Sheri McPartlin, Clark County School District  
Lynn Row, Clark County School District  
Erika Simmons, RN, BSN  
Ruth Willey, LPN

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by D. Scott at 9:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Sheri McPartlin and Lynn Row from the Clark County School District gave public comment related to physician offices utilizing a signature stamp for orders that are forwarded to the school nurse. This item will be added to the August NPAC meeting agenda so the committee may discuss and possibly recommend further action to better protect patients

(students). In the meantime, D. Scott recommended that CCSD request a letter from the physicians who are utilizing a signature stamp to confirm that the stamped signature is, in fact, documentation that the order has been reviewed by the physician and indicates assurance to the school nurse that the order is valid.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the April 12, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Board meeting follow up: D. Scott reviewed the highlights of the May, 2011 Board meeting which included the approval of the FY2011/12 budget and the approval of the changes to the PICC line Practice Decision.
2. Review, discussion and action regarding proposed revisions to the Procedural Sedation Practice Decision: D. Scott presented the proposed revisions to the current practice decision. A committee member suggested adding under #4 criteria to be met that “NRP (for neonates)” be added to the list of certifications that a nurse must hold to manage the care of patients receiving IV conscious sedation. The committee agreed to the addition, approved the recommended revisions and voted to submit the revised decision for approval to the Board at its July Business Meeting. The committee applauded the work of the subcommittee and chair, C. Dinauer, for the forward looking revisions that they recommended to the full committee.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Orientation of new committee members: There were no new committee members attending the meeting.
2. Legislative update: F. Olmstead gave a legislative update related to the actions taken by the legislature during its 2011 session that ended on June 6, 2011. He addressed SB37 which enhanced Open Meeting Law requirements, SB205 which will require that all APNs in Nevada are nationally certified, SB294 which addresses the regulation of medical assistants, SB411 which allows for the NSBN to regulate medication aides-certified, SB419 which addresses safe injection practices, and AB98 which addresses emergency volunteers.
3. Review and discussion of SANE Education Guidelines: D. Scott reviewed the International Association of Forensic Nurses Memorandum dated March 30, 2011 titled, “Meeting the SANE Education Guidelines” and the letter from the National Sexual Violence Resource Center indicating their support of the education guidelines clarification. She made the current SANE Practice Decision available to the committee members, indicating that this memo does not conflict with the current Nevada decision.
4. Discussion of a newly proposed aesthetic nursing program: Julia Pettis and Beth Ulbrich presented this agenda item describing the essential need and outlining the components of their proposed Scope and Standards of Practice for Aesthetic Nursing Care and their Medical Aesthetic Nursing certification course. They described their recent submission of the document to the American Nurses Association. The committee directed questions and comments to the presenters, agreeing that there is a definite need for nurses to be trained and competent to provide safe medical aesthetic nursing services to patients. The committee indicated its intent to support safe aesthetic nursing practice in Nevada.

5. Review, discussion and action regarding practice decision request to clarify that documenting in the MAR using envelopes as evidence of medication administration is an acceptable practice: M. Eaton and T. Jacobs presented this agenda item requesting the committee's direction on affirming that it is within acceptable standards of practice for nurses to document in the MAR using pill envelopes as evidence of medication administration upon return to the medication room. The committee discussed the issues of safety and the accepted practice standards, keeping in mind the specific challenges the corrections nurses face in distributing and administering medications to inmates who are maintained in their cells. The committee voted to find the practice outlined in M. Eaton's practice decision request within the accepted standard of practice. D. Scott will forward a letter to M. Eaton describing the consensus of the committee.

**D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Items to be presented at the next NPAC meeting on August 9, 2011 will be: CCSD's request for direction related to physicians' use of a signature stamp. Board staff will solicit further agenda items prior to the meeting date.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.