

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of June 2, 2011 CNA Advisory Committee meeting approved with a revision to C.4. as amended on the record.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Report on Board meeting outcomes: C. Sansom gave highlights of the board meetings including the appointment of Rhonda Meyer, RN to the committee as a representative of the Division of Healthcare Financing and Policy; Several new CNA training programs were approved by the Board; The Requirements for Certified Nursing Assistants Accompanying Residents from Skilled/Long Term Care Facilities When on Transport Advisory Opinion was approved by the Board; Revisions to the CNA policy and procedure manual were approved; Board member elections were held; and there is a link on the Board's website to the Nevada Nurses Association student nurse competition winner presentation.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and discussion regarding practice decision request: Is it within the scope of practice of a CNA to deliver medications prepared and packaged by NDOC Central Pharmacy that are designated as Keep on Person medications to inmates in lock down units? Mary Eaton, RN, Terri Jacob, RN, and Linda Fox, Pharmacist from the Nevada Department of Corrections were present to present this item and answer questions. They indicated a CNA would not be opening any of the medication bags that are sealed (none of which are controlled substances), or signing off that they are correct. The licensed nursing staff would check in the medications from the pharmacy, double check the names and medications with the inmates Keep on Person (KOP) sheet. The CNA would hand a sealed bag to the inmate who must show their photo and name identification card and sign for receipt of the medications. The CNA would be accompanied by a security guard. The members expressed concerns regarding allowing CNAs to have anything to do with medications. Board Counsel will consult with the Board of Pharmacy regarding any regulations that may be in place addressing this issue. This issue will be brought back to the committee for further discussion and possible action at the January meeting.
2. Program reports from Prometric: C. Sansom and P. Towler provided the quarterly report from July 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011, and discussed the pass rates. The program reports indicate some of the programs have low pass rates, but also have small numbers of students taking the exams. The Board's review process of training programs and the role of the Education Consultant in this area were discussed.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding proposed 2012 CNA Committee meetings on January 26, April 26, July 10 and October 18, 2012: It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed dates and to direct the chair to see if any other dates for January 2012 may be available.
4. Review and discussion regarding Mental Health Technician duties and CNA Scope of Practice: Fred Olmstead, General Counsel presented an overview of his research into NRS 632.166 (2) as it relates to MHTs working at Northern Nevada

Mental Health Services. The MHTs may have overlapping duties that include those typically assigned to a CNA as long as the majority of their functions are not solely CNA activities.

5. This item was removed.
6. Orientation of new committee members: C. Sansom and F. Olmstead provided information and answered questions regarding the statutory requirements for the CNA Committee membership, and the roles and responsibilities of the members.
7. Discussion regarding legislative and media issues: F. Olmstead reminded the committee members to watch for notices regarding several proposed regulations and changes, and the public hearings related to these regulations on the Board's website.
8. Suggested items for future CNA agendas:
 - Prometric reports
 - NDOC request regarding CNAs delivering Keep on Person medications
 - Board meeting outcomes
 - Legislative and media issues
 - CNA training program applications
 - Suggested items for future CNA agendas

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.