



**MINUTES OF THE  
ADVANCED PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**May 29th, 2007**

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*(Final minutes will be available on the Board's website <http://www.nevadanursingboard.org> after ratification by the committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting).*

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Advisory Committee was called to order by Debra Scott, MSN, RN, APN, Executive Director, at 3:10 p.m., via videoconference at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada, 89502, and the Board of Nursing, 2500 W. Sahara, #207, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89102.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, APN, Executive Director, Chair  
David Burgio, MS, RN, APN, Board Liaison  
Tricia Brown, MSN, RN, APN  
George Cox, MS, RN, CRNA  
Rhigel Jay Tan, MSN, RN, APN  
Susan VanBeuge, MSN, RN, APN

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Amy E. Booth, MSN, RN, APN  
Phyllis Suiter, MA, RN, APN  
Ron Wing, CRNA

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Fred Olmstead, Board General Counsel

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** The committee discussed the issue of Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT) related to sexually transmitted diseases based on a question submitted by the public health nurses.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES—** February 13, 2007: The minutes of the February 13, 2007 meeting of the APN Advisory Committee were approved as written.

**B. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Report from the March and May 2007 Board meetings: D. Scott presented items from the Board meetings related to advanced practice nursing.
2. Discussion regarding more accurate wording for the definition of “nurse midwife” in regulation: D. Scott described the testimony by Martha Drohobyzcer at the Board’s May meeting in support of the changes to NAC 632.0605 “Nurse midwife” defined. She reported that the Board accepted the concept and wording of the proposed regulation change. The proposed regulation change will proceed through the regulatory process of public workshops and hearings.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding Guidelines for Protocols for APNs: D. Scott presented the finalized revision of the Record of Practice and Protocol Guidelines for APNs which Board staff provide to new APNs in Nevada as part of the application packet. This document is available on the Board’s website. It gives one example of how APNs may set up their protocols for practice in the advanced nursing role. There was some discussion about NAC 632.257 (2), which refers to “those drugs listed in his protocols.” The committee suggested bringing this regulation back to the committee for review of the possibly outdated language related to other changes that had been made in regulation during the last 12 months. The committee approved the final Record of Practice and Protocol and Guidelines unanimously.

### **C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Legislative update: D. Scott reported on the bills which were being considered during the legislative session which impact the nursing board. F. Olmstead reported on AB235 and AB446, two bills which may affect APN practice in Nevada. D. Scott clarified a committee member’s question related to AB385 related to an APN’s scope of practice with the performance of intense pulsed light therapy, and the injection of cosmetic and chemotherapeutic substances. D. Scott explained that this bill does not impinge on an RN or an APN’s scope in providing these procedures.
2. Suggestions for agenda items for next meeting: The committee suggested putting NAC 632. 257 on the next agenda for consideration of revision, and to include another legislative update.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.