

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES **DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING** April 22, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Disability Advisory Committee was called to order by Kathleen Reynolds, BHS, RN, at 9:35 a.m. at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste 300, Reno, NV 89502 and via videoconference with other committee members at the Board of Nursing, 2500 W. Sahara, #207, Las Vegas, NV 89102.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathleen Reynolds, BHS, RN, Chair	Mary Culbert, MS, RN
Cookie Bible, BSN, RNC, APN	Susan O'Day, BSN, RN, CPAN
Mattie Harris, RN	Judy Vogel, BSN, RN
Ann Testolin, EdD, MS, BS, RN	Sandra Halley, Board Member Liaison
Jan Brethauer, RN	Rilo Weisner, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Patricia Durham-Taylor, RN
Peggy Cullum, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Chris Sansom, BSN, RN, Director of Operations
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel
C. Ryan Mann, RN, Application Coordinator
Christie Daliposon, Management Assistant
Leslie Brandeau-Kennedy, Management Assistant

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — The minutes of the October 23, 2010 Disability Advisory Committee Semi-Annual meeting were approved as written.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review, discussion, and action regarding the evaluation of the October 2010 semi-annual meeting. This item was presented by K. Reynolds. All members agree that the lap tops used at the monthly meetings have improved that the process of the meetings eliminating the paper packets.
2. Review, and discussion regarding 2011-2012 DAC meeting dates which will be set following the July Board meeting and the Board finalizing its calendar.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review, discussion, and action regarding Chair's report presented by K. Reynolds:
 - National Council of State Boards of Nursing has developed Substance Use Disorders in Nursing Manual, which provides practical and evidenced based guidelines for evaluating, treating, and managing nurses with substance use disorders. Information on prevention, detection, and intervention of substance use disorders is presented along with key research findings, guidelines and program recommendations. This manual will serve DAC as a valuable resource.
 - "Verification of licensure status for Nurses / CNAs under a monitoring agreement" policy was approved by the Board at the March 9, 2011 meeting.
 - First Lab Update: First Lab has recently developed a monthly newsletter addressing current trends in drug testing. The new letters will be shared with the DAC members.
2. Presentation regarding the revised format for agreements: K. Reynolds presented this item. It is hoped the changes and consolidation of terms and conditions will improve the nurse's understanding and compliance.
3. Presentation by Dr. Meri Shadley, Ph.D, M.A., B.S. "Women, Trauma, and Addiction". Dr. Shadley presented information regarding women's vulnerability to addiction, personal history impact, and genetic pre-disposition including recent changes and trends in treatment for women.
4. Presentation "Orientation for Monitories": K. Reynolds presented the orientation, which is given to new monitorees. The orientation's purpose is to inform and clarify the terms and conditions of their agreements. This results in decreasing anxiety as they begin their probation and increasing compliance as they progress.
5. Director of Operations update: C. Sansom presented this item providing information on:
 - the process for gathering information in background checks and the significance for DAC interviews. This information is a significant tool for the committee when interviewing the nurse and making recommendations to the Board.
 - National Council of State Boards of Nursing has recently developed The Nursing Regulation Journal whose purpose is to keep Boards informed of recent and future regulation. K. Reynolds will keep the committee up to date on any regulations of significance of potential impact.
6. Board Counsel update: F. Olmstead presented the process for draft bills as they move through the legislature. The Board did not submit bill drafts for this session. Members can track all bills on the Nevada State Legislative webpage.

D. EVALUATION OF MEETING: Evaluation forms were distributed and completed.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.