

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

October 23, 2010

### **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 9:30 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**

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| 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     | Peggy Cullum, RN           |
| Jan Brethauer, RN                 |                            |

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

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| Sandra Halley, Board Member Liaison | Deborah Martz, RN |
| Patricia Durham-Taylor, RN          | Kariene Rimer, RN |
| Judith Slaney, RN, BSN              |                   |

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

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| Chris Sansom, BSN, RN, Director of Operations | Cynthia Peterson, RN, Investigator  |
| Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE Executive Director  | Gail Trujillo, Management Assistant |
| Christie Daliposon, Management Assistant      | Fred Olmstead, General Counsel      |

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES—April 23, 2010:** The minutes were approved as written.

### **B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Review, discussion, and action regarding the evaluation of the April 2010 semi-annual meeting presented by K. Reynolds.
2. Review and discussion regarding the statistics and trends for compliance from July 1, 2005 to July 30, 2010 presented K. Reynolds.
3. Review of 2010-2011 DAC calendar; the June 16, 2010 meeting in Las Vegas was changed to June 23, 2010.

### **C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Review, discussion, and action regarding Chair's report presented by K. Reynolds:

- Review of our Job Site Approval process.
  - An update on our paperless project was given. Due to the use of laptops, RSVPs are required for all DAC meetings.
  - Discussion of a recent presentation given by K. Reynolds in Las Vegas to the American Association of Nephrology.
  - Discussion of committee members C. Bible and P. Cullum applications for conceptual membership being taken to the November board meeting.
  - Review, discussion and action regarding licensure statuses for nurses on monitoring to be recommended to the board.
    - i. It was moved and seconded that nurses in the Alternative program have no change in status and will remain “active.”
    - ii. It was moved and seconded that all new nurses on monitoring only, will be notified in their agreement that effective immediately their status will have some kind of indication that they are on monitoring which will appear on our web verification system.
    - iii. It was moved and seconded that all past monitorees be notified via certified mail that their status will have some kind of indication that they are on monitoring which will appear on our web verification system.
2. Review, and discussion of the agreement consolidations.
  3. Presentation by W. Clark: “Process for Drug Identification & Charges,” presentation included information on a Drug Recognition Expert program that has been developed to help identify drug impairment.
  4. Presentation by K. Reynolds, BHS, RN, Compliance Coordinator “Orientation for Monitorees,” has been carried forward to the April 2011 meeting due to time constraints.
  5. Executive Director Update: D. Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, presented legislative updates:
    - A bill has been proposed to consolidate boards. Research shows that doing this would slow down production.
    - Review of information regarding APN autonomous practice.
    - Discussion of the life long learning proposal, which is to have 80% of nurses possess a BSN by the year 2020.
  6. Director of Operations Update: C. Sansom, RN, BSN, Director of Operations, presented:
    - Review of our Mini-DAC process for new applicants.
    - The process for requiring fingerprinting on renewal applications for licensure/certification.
    - Review of our transition to Nursys web verification system.
  7. Board Counsel Update: F. Olmstead, General Counsel, presented: How to ensure safe practice for nurses on prescription medications. An article in the Professional Licensing Report regarding a ban on methadone use was referred to.

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

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