

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

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**DRAFT
MINUTES
CNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, April 18, 2013**

The committee meeting was called to order on April 18, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. by Chris Sansom, MSN, RN, Director of Operations via videoconference at the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 2500 W. Sahara Ave, #207, Las Vegas, and the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada.

The CNA Advisory Committee advises and reports to the Board on matters related to Certified Nursing Assistants.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Sansom, RN, Director of Operations, Chair
Marie Fish-Dewitt, RN Barbara Cavanagh, RN
Carla Wright, RN Rhonda Meyer, RN
Branden Murphy, CNA Elizabeth Mongeau, RN
Ruby Flores, LPN Teresa Stricker, LASW

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jennifer Snidow, CNA, Board Member Liaison

OTHERS PRESENT

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director
Roseann Colosimo, RN, Education Consultant, NSBN
Christie Daliposon, Management Assistant, NSBN
Cindy Peterson, RN, Investigator, NSBN

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. C. Sansom introduced and welcomed the newest member of the committee, Ruby Flores, LPN.

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Sansom called for public comment at the beginning of the meeting and there was none. C. Sansom called for public comment at the end of the meeting and there was none.

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the January 24, 2013 meeting were approved as revised.
- B. OLD BUSINESS:**
1. Report on the March 2013 Board meeting outcomes: C. Sansom reported on highlights of the board meeting including approval of a revision to the English Proficiency Policy, and a discussion regarding a bill draft that would allow unlicensed assistive personnel (ULAP) to administer insulin in the school setting. School Nurses collaborated with the legislature to draft proposed language changes to ensure training and oversight by the School Nurse.
- C. NEW BUSINESS**
1. Program reports from Prometric: R. Colosimo presented the report from January 1, 2013 through March 31, 2013, discussed the pass rates and answered member questions. It was noted that more high school students took the exams during this past quarter.
 2. Review, discussion and action regarding proposed revision to the Lapsed Nursing Assistant Certificates Policy: C. Sansom presented the current policy and the proposed revision that would allow a lapsed CNA the option to retest or retrain. The current policy only allows for retraining for those who graduated from an approved program but have not practiced within the previous two years. The committee fully supported the proposed revision and expressed that it would create an option for CNAs to re-enter practice more quickly and at a reduced cost. It was moved and seconded the committee recommend the Board approve the proposed revision to the policy.
 3. Review, discussion and action regarding: Can CNAs with expired certificates who are required to retrain or retest to be eligible for renewal be issued a temporary certificate while completing the requirements? C. Sansom presented this item. It was discussed that the Board could not grant a certificate to an applicant who was not otherwise qualified to practice based on statutes, regulations and/or federal law. The proposed Lapsed Nursing Assistant Certificate Policy revision discussed in section 2, if approved by the Board, would provide more options for re-entry into practice.
 4. Review and discussion regarding MA-C program: R. Colosimo presented this item. There are three certified MA-Cs in the state and none of them are employed. North Las Vegas Care Center is approved to have MA-Cs, but has not implemented the program due the MA-C not being allowed to administer controlled substances. D. Scott reminded the committee that the restriction on controlled substances was a requirement in place at the time the statute was approved by the legislature. There are currently no MA-C classes being taught at this time.
 5. Discussion regarding legislative and media issues: D. Scott presented this item. She discussed the increase in medical spas being operated by nurses that is beyond their scope of practice. The Board rescinded (voided) the Cosmetic

Procedures Practice Decision in March 2012. The Board of Nursing is collaborating with the Board of Pharmacy, the Board of Medicine, the Board of Osteopathic Physicians, and the Board of Chiropractors among others to investigate complaints regarding these entities and the nurses/practitioners involved. Nurses may not possess or administer the types of drugs utilized in a medical spa unless a licensed practitioner who has prescribing privileges has assessed the patient, written an order for the drugs to be administered, and is present at the site at the time of administration. Other legislative issues were discussed including numeric staffing ratios, full practice authority for APNs, and other bills related to nursing regulation or nursing issues.

6. Suggested items for future CNA agendas:
 - Prometric reports
 - Board meeting outcomes
 - Legislative and media issues
 - Suggested items for future CNA agendas

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.