

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

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### **MINUTES FROM THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING April 11, 2013**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Education Advisory Committee was called to order by Roseann Colosimo, PhD, RN, Education Consultant, at 9:00 a.m. at the Board of Nursing, 2500 W. Sahara, #207, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 and via videoconference with other committee members at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, Nevada, 89502.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Roseann Colosimo, PhD, RN, Board Education Consultant, Chair

Tish Smyer, DNSc, RN, Board Liaison

Mary Hackie, MSN, RN

Carrie O'Reilly, PhD, MSN, RN

Susan Adamek, MSN, RN

Lilly Gonzales, MSN, MA, RN

Kris Miller, PhD, RN

Mary Ann Lambert, MSN, RN

Leanna Keith, MSN, BS, RN

Madelon Lawson, BSN, RN, CAPA

Cheryl Perna, MSN, RN

Mary Chalfant, MS, BSN, RN

Connie Carpenter, EdD, RN

Wendy Merchant, MSN, RN

Dina Faucher, PhD, RN

Barbara Fraser, MS, RN

Maureen Scott-Feagle, MSN/Ed, RN, CNOR

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Laura Fillmore, DNP, RN

Sherrilyn Coffman, PhD, RN

Patsy Ruchala, DNSc, RN

Leanna Keith, MSN, BS, RN

Helina Whitney, RN

Heather Locker, LPN

Vickie Wright, MSN, MBA, RN, CRRN, CCM

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, Executive Director

Jennifer Richards, PhD, RN, CNRN

Katherine Cylke, DNP, RN

Sarah Warmbrodt, MSN, MEd, RN

Jean Benzel-Lindley

Adnan Al Mouazzen

Pat Riede

Ruby Wertz

Russell Smithson

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- R. Colosimo announced that Western High School is searching for a school nurse in the health science department.
- R. Colosimo shared that the March 13, 2013 Southern Nevada Clinical Faculty Workshop was a success. She thanked C. D'Amico, S. Growe, R. Wertz, M. Leahy and C. O'Reilly for their help with the workshop. A total of 50 faculty members were in attendance and most were clinical instructors. R. Colosimo added that we now have about \$1200 in funding for future

workshops and she thanked northern Nevada for leading the way with its clinical faculty workshops.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of the January 31, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Review and discussion of the EAC subcommittee proposal for the Board to seek authority to do criminal background checks on student nurses: This item was removed from the agenda.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Orientation of committee members: R. Colosimo and the committee welcomed P. Ruchala and C. O'Reilly, the two newly appointed committee members.
2. NCSBN and NSBN updates- Presented by Executive Director Debra Scott:
  - Legislative update -
    - SB362 Revises provisions relating to health care. D. Scott explained that this bill addresses numeric staffing ratios in health care facilities. The Nevada Organization of Nurse Leaders (NONL) and the Nevada Hospital Association (NHA) are closely monitoring this bill. At this time the Board has not stated its position on SB362.
    - SB453 Provides for schools to obtain and administer auto-injectable epinephrine. This bill proposes that physicians issue orders for auto-injectable epinephrine to public and private schools which will be maintained at the school for the treatment of anaphylaxis that may be experienced by any person at the school. The school nurse would store and administer the auto-injectable epinephrine. The Board has not stated its position on SB453.
    - SB320 Revises provisions governing medical care in schools. This bill proposes the creation of diabetic care aides to provide assistance to pupils with diabetes which includes the administration of insulin. Nevada's school nurses and the Board are working together to add school nurses as the professional responsible for the delegation to the unlicensed assistive personnel for such care. If this bill passes the School Nurse Advisory Opinion will be revised to include the proper language regarding the delegation of diabetic care in schools.
    - AB170 Revises provisions governing the advanced practice of nursing. This bill proposes full practice authority for APNs and includes changing the title from APN to APRN and changing the issuance of a certificate to a license to practice. An amendment was added to the bill would now require APNs to carry malpractice insurance and includes a clear statement that this is not expansion of scope of practice.
  - NSBN update -
    - The English proficiency exam became a requirement for international graduates about one year ago. Statistics provide that around 50% of applicants failed the exam, thus validating the need for this requirement. The International English Language Test Service (IELTS) was removed from the approved list of providers due to its inflated pass rates when compared to other providers. Effective May 1, 2013, international graduates endorsing into Nevada will also need to pass an English proficiency exam if they became licensed in the U.S. within the last five years.

- The International Graduate Policy was revised to require internationally educated endorsement applicants to have licensure in their country of education if they are endorsing within two years of initial licensure.
- NCSBN update -
  - D. Scott gave the committee an overview of NCSBN's APRN Roundtable Workshop which she attended this week. She added that this workshop helps communicate the various issues happening throughout the U.S.
  - D. Scott announced that her term with NCSBN's Board of Directors will conclude this August. R. Colosimo thanked D. Scott for the work that she has put into the committee.
- 3. Review and discussion regarding 2013 first quarter G-4 NCLEX pass rates: R. Colosimo explained that all schools of nursing are above 80%, excluding, Breckinridge School of Nursing at ITT whose current NCLEX pass rate is 71%. Everest College reached a 100% pass rate for its first class and National University's last two students failed the NCLEX.
- 4. Review and discussion regarding NAC 632.640-632.680 for possible future changes to regulations for nursing programs comparing to NCSBN model rules: R. Colosimo reviewed Nevada regulations and compared them with the NCSBN Model Act to create a crosswalk detailed as follows:
  - Approval standards – NAC and the NCSBN Model Act are similar.
  - Closure – The Board has provisions to close but they have not been used.
  - Innovative – The Board does not have innovative approaches in statute or regulation but the committee considers similar language to the NCSBN model act.
  - NAC 632.640 and 6.1.1 both require ongoing curriculum evaluations and policies and procedures
  - NAC 632.655 - 632.665 and the Model Act 6.1.1 g nursing program administrator requirements
  - 6.1.1 a-d W. Merchant stated requirements are needed for accrediting bodies
  - 6.1.2 Requires nursing program have accreditation by 2020
  - 6.1.2 a Curriculum and curriculum revisions NAC 632.685 and NAC 632.695 are more specific
  - NAC 632.690 requirements for instructions- add management of health in patients of diverse culture, ethnicity, social and economic background based on the NCSBN Model Act
  - NAC 632.690 add requirement to integrate QSEN in curriculum. L. Gonzales suggested not using the QSEN name. C. Perna stated same as IOM.
  - The Model Act 6.1.2.B. Students – states hold students accountable for professional behavior, including honesty and integrity. The committee agreed this language should be added to NAC 632.680.
- 5. Review and discussion regarding continued competency issues for Safety in Nevada. Discussion of Insulin pens: R. Colosimo explained that she is a member of the Southern Nevada Society for Healthcare Education & Training (SNSHET) and they recently discussed medication errors with insulin pens which is a local and national problem; therefore, students must be educated about insulin pens in their nursing programs.
- 6. Review and discussion on the revision of the Great Basin college curriculum: K. Miller completed a review and determined that changes should be made within the curriculum. Maternal-infant credits will be decreased, a new pediatric course was created and the leadership course is a project focusing on management. Deans and Directors questioned the break-down of the theory, lab and clinical hours and K. Miller is working on separating labs

vs. clinical credit hours. K. Miller added that the Board of Regents is pushing for 60 credits. K. Cylke explained that NLNAC will accept anything under 70 credits and W. Merchant clarified that 60 credits must be in core nursing courses and the total of 70-72 credits includes general education courses. Changes are being made because accrediting agencies want to decrease the funding and time spent on undergrad and pre-licensure program so nurses can proceed to BSN and graduate programs.

7. Review and discussion on the revision of the Carrington Reno curriculum: W. Merchant explained the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools' (ACICS) course and program measurement which is one semester credit per 15 classroom hours of lecture, 30 hours of lab and 45 hours of clinical. She added that the new curriculum is faculty driven. Changes in the curriculum include the addition of a chemistry course during the first semester to help build foundation for concepts in pathophysiology. The sociology course was removed but will be integrated throughout the program and courses in communication, psychology, medical surgical and pharmacology were rearranged to improve the track of the curriculum. In addition, the leadership course was changed to a management course with QSEN, legal and ethical concepts. Committee members expressed concerns about not having a sociology course. M. Hackie suggested changing the three credit course in Nevada U.S. constitution into a two credit course in sociology and a one credit course in Nevada U.S. constitution as that is the minimum requirement. W. Merchant thanked everyone for their input.
8. Review and discussion on the revision of the Nevada Career Institute: C. Carpenter stated that she met with an NLNAC representative and was advised that the LPN program at NCI has excessive credits which must to be corrected before applying for accreditation. C. Carpenter explained that the proposed curriculum will become more concept based with emphases in nursing versus medical. The program will be divided in 15 week semesters, giving students and faculty time off between semesters. Changing the curriculum will reduce the number of credits from 60 to 40. W. Merchant questioned where mental health and maternal and child are located within the curriculum. C. Carpenter explained all three courses are integrated throughout the program and D. Scott suggested naming the courses to help with transferability. M. Lambert suggested including scope of practice and clearly identifying subjects in the course description. C. Carpenter thanked everyone for their contributions. She will be making revisions to the proposed curriculum and will bring it to the Board for approval before the implementation date of March 2014.
9. Review and discussion on Interdisciplinary Education: This agenda item was continued to the next EAC meeting.

#### **D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

Recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting include discussion on:

- Interdisciplinary Education
- Continued review of education regulations

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- NSBN's 90 year celebration pens and pins were distributed to committee members and attendees.
- R. Colosimo informed committee members that the next Education Advisory Committee meeting will be held on August 22, 2013.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.