

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING August 4, 2015**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Advisory Committee was called to order by Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, at 3:01 p.m. via videoconference at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and the Board of Nursing, 4220 South Maryland Pkwy, #B300, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89119.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, Chair  
Mary Betita, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Cheryl Broussard, MSN, FNP-BC  
Elaine Cudnik, MSN, RN, CPNP  
Alona Dalusung-Angosta, Phd, APRN, FNP, NP-C  
Paul Kapsar, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Gregory L. Peistrup, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-C, CFRN, CEN, EMS-RN  
Sheryl Giordano, APRN-C

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jay Tan, DNP, RN, APRN, Board Liaison  
Arthur C. Savignac, CRNA, MHS

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Deena McKenzie, RN MSN, CNML, Board Member  
Fred Olmstead, Board Counsel  
Patty Shutt, LPN, Site Operations Supervisor  
Gail Trujillo, Executive Assistant  
Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Associate Director of Nursing Practice  
Aften Hand, RN, Nurse Investigator  
Chris Sansom, MSN, RN, Director of Operations  
Roseann Colosimo, PhD, MSN, RN  
Russell Smithson, McDonald, Carano, Wilson, LLP  
Lea Cartwright, JK Belz and Associates

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by D. Scott at 3:01 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- R. Colosimo shared with the committee that she attended a meeting regarding infection control and the importance of reducing the use of antibiotics in the inpatient and outpatient setting.
- D. Scott welcomed new committee member S. Giordano and congratulated M. Betita, C. Broussard and A. Dalusung-Angosta on being reappointed to the committee to serve a second term.
- E. Cudnik shared with the committee that she is experiencing resistance towards APRNs practicing autonomously. P. Kapsar explained that he has experienced more autonomy since

the passage of AB170. D. Scott encouraged members to collaborate with professional nursing and medical associations to educate the public and initiate change in current practices. She also shared this concern with a sub-group of the Department of Health and Human Services that is working to decrease barriers to health care.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of the May 5, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Report from the July 2015 Board meeting: Board staff reported the highlights from the July 2015 Board meeting. C. Sansom provided the committee with statistics relating to APRNs in Nevada explaining that the number of complaints received against APRNs decreased in the last fiscal year and none of those complaints resulted in discipline. F. Olmstead explained that the Board will move forward with regulations requiring APRNs to register with the Nevada Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and keep proof of that registration in their professional portfolio. R. Colosimo added that Board approved the concept of the proposed revisions to the LPN and education regulations.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Orientation of new committee members: D. Scott confirmed that new committee member S. Giordano received her orientation information. In addition, she confirmed that committee members are receiving their meeting materials in a timely manner.
2. Review, discussion and action regarding APRNs signing home health care orders: E. Cudnik asked the committee if other members have information regarding APRNs signing home health care orders. P. Kapsar explained that there was a Medicare/Medicaid regulation restricting this practice; however, changes have been made recently and he does not have those details. D. Scott clarified that there is no restriction in the Nurse Practice Act regarding APRNs signing home health care orders.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding RNs performing intrauterine inseminations: C. Dinauer explained that this agenda item is being referred to the committee for review by the Nursing Practice Advisory Committee. Committee members were provided with the practice decision request to allow RNs to perform intrauterine insemination. Discussion ensued and the committee unanimously agreed to approve the concept of allowing RNs to perform intrauterine insemination. In addition, the committee suggested that the practice decision clearly state that the consent must be given by the doctor and reviewed by the RN prior to the procedure. C. Dinauer thanked the committee for their input. She will take this information and draft a practice decision to be presented to the Nursing Practice Advisory Committee at its next meeting.

**D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

**MEETING:** There were no recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** F. Olmstead informed the committee that information has been received regarding APRNs delegating to MAs in another state. He will research this information further and report any updates to the committee.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.