

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE NURSING PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tuesday, December 6, 2016**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The committee meeting was called to order by S. McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice, at 9:01 a.m., at the Board of Nursing offices via videoconference between 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste 300, Reno, NV, 89502 and 4220 S. Maryland Pwky, Ste B300, Las Vegas, NV.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice, Chair  
Deena McKenzie, MSN, RN, CNML, Board Liaison  
Mary Ann Brown, DNP, RN, Board Liaison  
Danielle Craperi, MSN, RN, CNML, CNL, RN  
Jessica Carlson, MSN, Ed., PhD ABD, RN  
Mary Brann, DNP, MSN, RN    Leanna Keith, MSN, RN  
M. Jeanne Hesterlee, RN    Anne Diaz, PhD, RN, NCSN, MFT  
Ovidia McGuinness, LPN    Greg Highfill, Nursing Student  
Marti Cote, RN    Lori Roorda, BSN, RN-BC, CEN, CCRN  
Abbie Purney, MSN, APRN, CCNS

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Chelsea Minto, RN, BSN, CNML

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director  
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Kimberly A. Arguello, Deputy General Counsel  
Christie Daliposon, Management Assistant  
Jeannette Calderon, Management Assistant  
Cindy Peterson, RN, Investigator  
Debbi Robison, RN  
Kristen MacLoud, MD  
Michela Adams, RN  
Lea Cartwright  
Edith Hardin  
Denise Stokich, RN  
Rachell Ekroos

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by S. McCord at 9:02 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Dinauer acknowledged M. Cote for her time on the committee and that this would be her last meeting due to her retirement. S. McCord presented her with a certificate of appreciation.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the August 23, 2016 meeting were approved with revisions.

#### B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Board meeting follow up: S. McCord gave a report on the September and November 2016 meetings. It was noted that the Scope of Practice statistics are presented at the Board meetings. Sample questions will now be included in the quarterly newsletter, on our Facebook page, and also during presentations that are offered in the community and at nursing programs. The APRN Controlled Substance Prescribing Guidelines were approved, K. Arguello explained that these guidelines mirror the CDC guidelines and that they will be reviewed yearly. The APRN policy on releasing and/or extending a patient who is on a Legal 2000 hold has been approved.

#### C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Orientation of new committee members: G. Highfill was introduced and orientated to the committee.
2. Legislative update: F. Olmstead updated the committee on legislative issues that may be addressed in the upcoming session. Nurse's day recognition at the legislature is February 27, 2017. The Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact has a bill number; AB18. The Prescription Drug Abuse Taskforce could introduce a bill regarding prescription drug abuse in the state. The legalization of recreational marijuana does not change anything for nursing law.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding Pediatric Sexual Abuse Examinations by Specialized RNs: D. Robison gave clarification on her request from the previous meeting. The committee had a discussion on what is required by law and by facility. It was determined by the committee that the current practice decision regarding Sexual Abuse Nurse Examiners is ok for this request as well. R. Eckroos offered to look at the practice decision and provide more information regarding training programs and bring the 2004 decision up to date with what is available. Updates will be presented at the next committee meeting for discussion and potential action.
4. Review, discussion and action regarding the Apprentice Nurse Skills List with changes to include Point of Care Testing: C. Dinauer provided the NAC required for Point of Care testing and concluded that Apprentice Nurses could not do them due to the fact that they are not licensed. The Apprentice Nurse Skills List was reviewed and changes were discussed. O. McGuinness and L. Keith will assist C. Dinauer in updating the skills list. Revision dates will also be added for reference. Changes will be presented at the next committee meeting.
5. Review, discussion and action regarding Nurses taking telephone calls for suicidal patients: J. Carlson stated that she is on the NNA Suicide Prevention Committee, she gave a history on her request. Explained that there will be a request to the legislature to make suicide training mandatory for nurses. Wanted to make the Board aware of what was being proposed. A. Purney explained that the Joint Commission does require hospitals to assess for suicidality upon admission. J. Carlson indicated that there is a

stigma on the suicidal person and that there is a need for improved education for nurses conducting these assessments as training is not always being provided. No action taken on this item.

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

- Update on suicide training
- SANE practice decision update
- Apprentice Nurse Skills List revision

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** O. McGuinness informed the committee that there will be an LPN symposium in northern Nevada in January that will provide education to LPNs. J. Carlson thanked O. McGuinness for the symposium in Las Vegas on behalf of CSN. Lea Cartwright with the Nevada Psychiatric Association informed the committee that they have a Facebook and Twitter and that May is Mental Health Awareness month and they will be posting information regarding this on their social media sites. M. Cote thanked the committee and introduced D. Stokich as her replacement.

**ADJOURNMENT-**The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.