

Nevada State Board of
NURSING

**MINUTES OF THE
LPN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 16, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The committee meeting was called to order by Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice, at 9:00 a.m., at the Board of Nursing offices via video conference between 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, NV, 89502 and 4220 S. Maryland Pwky, Ste. B300, Las Vegas, NV.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Mary Jo Noble, EdD, MEd, RN
Kyle McComas, ASN, RN
Daryl Lauffer, LPN
Cheri Crumley, LPN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cynthia Morris, LPN
Della Stillerman, MEd, MSM, BSN, RN
Kathleen T. Mohn, MEd, BSN, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice, Chair
Cydnee Cernas, Management Assistant

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 17, 2019: D. Lauffer motioned to accept the minutes as written MJ. Noble seconded. Motion Carried.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Board meeting follow up: S. McCord gave an update from the March Board meeting, it was recommended that the Board provide a forum related to the changes that are being made in regards to practice decisions from the Advisory Committees. The Board agreed and would like to move forward with dedicating a section in the NSBN News Magazine that will notify the public of any changes and or updates from the Advisory Committees. S. McCord also discussed the Core Data that was presented to the Board such as the amount of time it takes to issue a license, barriers that delay the issuance of the licenses. When comparing Nevada to other states statistics show that Nevada has a faster turnaround time when issuing licenses. In regards to discipline, cases are averaging around 45 days

to get to case review which is also a fast turnaround time. The Board was happy with the information that was presented to them regarding the Core Data.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review and discuss trends regarding Scope of Practice questions received by the Board: S. McCord discussed the Scope of Practice information handout, which had 60 total calls during this three month period which is consistent with the prior period. The highest calls were (13) related to “IV regulations”, other high frequency calls were (6) for “Abandonment”, (6) for “Staffing Ratios”, and (6) for “Supervision”.
2. Review and discussion regarding LPN scope of practice in case management duties, the committee agreed this item will not require further action and or discussion.
3. Review and discussion regarding NAC 632.450 and clarification of LPNs scope in the reconstitution of medications. After thorough discussion the committee agrees it is within the LPN’s scope to reconstitute medications as long as it is not a violation of the medications identified in 632.455 and are not given by IV push.
4. Review and discussion regarding informing practicing LPNs of NAC 632.450 intravenous certification requirements. The committee has discussed and agrees that it would be beneficial to add a link to the Boards website that would provide information regarding programs that meet the requirements for IV certification. S. McCord would like to reach out to the educators and programs in the community to help keep exam applicants informed. It has been suggested to include an article in NSBN News that would speak to the overview of the issue and the need for the certification. The article will also discuss when the certification expires, how to establish currency with complying with 632.242.
5. Review and discussion regarding LPN students and closure of Brightwood College LPN program. MJ. Noble discussed many students are transitioning into the RN program instead of waiting for CSN who will only be accepting 15 students. The closing of the LPN program was unfortunate for many of the students.
6. Review, discussion and possible action regarding the LPN’s role in suprapubic catheterization. The Committee agrees that a subcommittee would be beneficial before making a final decision. D. Lauffer motions for a subcommittee to be developed to research more information regarding suprapubic catheterization. K. McComas seconds. Motion carried. D. Lauffer, C. Crumley and K. McComas will work together on the subcommittee to develop a practice decision. The subcommittee meeting will meet May 14, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.
7. Legislative Update: S. McCord gave a legislative update, the Nurse Compact did not go forward. The union has been in opposition of the Nurse compact, our lobbyist and executive director has been working tirelessly with no positive outcome at this time. Several marijuana bills pending none specific to nursing however the connection of the legal substance is in regards to licensees asking if they can take the substance. The bills specific to APRN’s that allow the APRN to sign for guardianship and make those assessments, the DMV handicap has been a focus for the APRN lobbyist these bills will be moving forward. The Work force data bill requires that renewal applicants provide where and what field they are working in, the data use to be optional and may be required. CBD oils in commercial settings and providing the interventions may come out in legislation.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

1. Review, discuss the role of the LPN in regards to the pic line, change and or remove the pic line.
2. Review, discussion and possible action regarding the LPN's role in suprapubic catheterization.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. S. McCord informed the committee that we are seeking new additions to the LPN committee, if anyone knows of anyone who may be interested in joining they are encouraged to contact S. McCord or C. Cernas.

ADJOURNMENT-The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.