

Nevada State Board of
NURSING

**MINUTES OF THE
NURSING PRACTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, December 1, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The committee meeting was called to order by Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice, at 9:01 a.m., via Teams.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeanne Hesterlee, RN
Nicole Sirotek, RN
Jessica Carlson, PhD, RN
Michelle McNary, LPN
Greg Highfill
Mary Field, BSN, RN
Laura Kennedy, BSN, RN, MBA
Chelsea Minto, MSN, RN-BC, CNML, CSM

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ginger Evors, MSN, RN, CNL
Shana Kennon, MSN, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Sam McCord, BSN, RN, Director of Nursing Practice
Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director
Kimberly Arguello, General Counsel
Christie Daliposon, Discipline Support Investigator
Cindy Peterson, RN, Investigator
Elizabeth Field, DNP Student at UNR
Janice Hewitt, Executive Assistant
Rhoda Hernandez, IT Assistant
Sydney Banks, JK Bells & Associates

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by S. McCord at 9:01 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from October 6, 2020 were approved with changes to who was in attendance. Motion carried

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding recommendations to the Board regarding the Complementary Therapies practice decision: S. McCord presented this item. The survey from National Council State Boards of Nursing was presented to the

committee; there were a total of 19 responses with 3 states that have practice decisions or position statements. Massachusetts and Texas positions were presented to the committee for review. M. Hesterlee researched the use of complementary therapies in the hospice setting and many therapies are used. S. McCord suggested that a sub-committee be formed with the Nurse Practice Advisory Committee and the LPN Advisory Committee since any practice decision will include RNs and LPNs. The committee also discussed adding references to the updated practice decision. M. Hesterlee, L. Kennedy, M. McNary, and M. Field volunteered to part of the sub-committee. S. McCord will contact the LPN Advisory Committee members for sub-committee attendance. No action at this time.

2. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding recommendations to the Board regarding the Vaginal Speculum Examinations practice decision: S. McCord presented this item. N. Sirotek updated the practice decision to the current format and researched other states. She informed the committee that Washington and Arizona both had practice decision regarding this. The reference to the SANE practice decision in number 9 will be hyperlinked in the document. This decision will be presented to the APRN Advisory committee for review since it could be a procedure that is delegated from an APRN. It was moved and seconded to approve the practice decision. Motion Carried
3. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding revisions to practice decisions titled Medical Directions to EMS and Paramedic Practice decision: S. McCord presented this item. G. Highfill and J. Carlson did some research on this practice decision to see if it is still relevant. G. Highfill researched with the EMS office and discovered that due to EMS law NAC 450.B.477 that dictates who an EMS professional can take orders from it is a practice decision that is no longer needed. The Paramedic Practice decision was discussed to see if it is still a relevant practice decision. It was moved and seconded to rescind the Medical Directions to EMS and Paramedic Practice decisions. Motion Carried

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Board meeting follow up: November 2020 Meeting: S. McCord presented this item. He reported that the RN Scope in Out of Hospital Administration of IV Solutions and Medications practice decision was approved. He also informed the committee that the Board is appreciative of the committee's hard work revising and creating new practice decisions. C. Dinauer informed the committee that the Board has two new members: Tracy McCollum and Cheryl Maes. She also informed the committee that work is still being done on the Nurse Licensure Compact to be introduced to the 2021 legislative session. The committee was also informed that C. Dinauer is working the immunization groups in regard to the COVID-19 vaccine. There is a link on the Board's website for the Battle Born Medical Corp who are looking for volunteers to administer the vaccine.
2. Review and discuss trends of Scope of Practice Questions received by Board staff: S. McCord presented this item. He informed the committee that in the quarter being presented there was an increase in calls to staff. The pandemic has changed the nature of the calls being received.
3. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding possible revisions to the Operational Definitions for Protocol, Standing Orders, and Preprinted Order Set practice decision: S. McCord presented this item. C. Minto informed the committee that each state and/or

facility has different definitions for the terms in the decision. C. Dinauer, C. Minto, and J. Carlson volunteered to review the practice decision and revise with references and bring back to the committee for review. No action at this time.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

1. Operational Definitions for Protocols, Standing Orders, and Preprinted Order Set practice decision
2. Complementary Therapies practice decision
3. Review of EMS-RN training programs
4. 2 older practice decisions

PUBLIC COMMENT: S. McCord thanked the committee for making quorum

ADJOURNMENT-The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.