

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE CNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Friday, August 5, 2021**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The committee meeting was called to order by Michelle Johnson, EdD, RN, CPNP-PC Director of Nursing Education, at 9:00 a.m., at the Board of Nursing offices via video conference ID 111 018 427 8 and in office between 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, Ste. 300, Reno, NV, 89502 and 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Ste. B300, Las Vegas, NV.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Claudette Lachowicz, RN  
Carla Wright, MSNed, RN  
Jennifer Williams- Woods  
Mila Revilla, RN  
Robert Kidd

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

M. Jeanne Hesterlee, RN  
Rhonda, Meyer, RN

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Michelle Johnson, Director of Nursing Education, Chair  
Cathy Dinauer, Executive Director  
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel  
Tamara Pachak, CNA Program Coordinator  
Corina Jimenez, Management Assistant

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The April 14, 2021 minutes were approved as written.  
MOTION CARRIED.

B. OLD BUSINESS: - None

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review and discuss the July board meeting. C. Dinauer informed the committee, it was the first board meeting in person in over 1 ½ years in Reno. July board meeting included: goal & objectives, budgets, policies, board training & processes, and C. Dinauer evaluation. M. Johnson discussed the new RN program at Carrington Las Vegas, and the increase of seats requested was granted. A new CNA program at

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- Pershing Hospital, was approved. M. Johnson discussed Majen, CNA program appearing before the board, regarding their site visit. Majen was required to have a remediation plan. T. Pachak discussed the site visits and pass rates. M. Johnson discussed pass rates for NCLEX 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.
2. Review and discuss the legislative update. F. Olmstead informed the committee of four new laws. The new laws are required only for renewal applications and processed thru the Legislative Counsel Bureau. 1. Renewal applications will have to attest to completion of "Culture & Diversity Equality and Inclusion," which accounts for 2 hours of continuing education. 2. Workforce data questions will be on the application that include race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, or expression. 3. These questions are voluntary. 4. APRN renewals will require additional 2 hours of continuing education. Regarding Substance abuse disorder; addictive disorder; prescribing opioids or screening grieve intervention and referral treatment approach. F. Olmstead discussed eight new bills for APRN practice that have changed and include; workman's compensation, health screening for women, reporting information on Lupus, and free birthing center-midwifery. Starting October 1, 2021, law will require an APRN be a mandatory representative on the NSBN Board.
  3. Review and discuss CNA verification work forms. M. Johnson informed the committee that CNAs are having problems getting their employers to verify their work hours. M. Johnson presented an employment letter and attestation to the committee for further review. C. Dinauer requested committee members to set up a sub-committee to discuss this topic and complete a final CNA employment verification form for CNA renewals. The sub-committee includes: F. Olmstead, C. Daliposon, R. Kidd, C. Lachowicz, and C. Wright. The CNA employment verification form will need to be completed and presented at the next CNA advisory committee meeting on 10/28/2021.
  4. Review and discuss fingerstick blood glucose checks done by CNAs. M. Johnson informed the committee that CLIA has restricted CNA's from doing fingerstick blood glucose checks as part of their scope of practice.
  5. Review and discuss the CNA pass rates. T. Pachak informed the committee of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter pass rates, overall rates with state totals.
  6. Review and discuss the Headmaster workshops. M. Johnson informed the committee of the upcoming workshops on 08/18 at GBC, 08/20 at TMCC, 08/26, and 08/27 at CSN from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Naomi Wolfe with Headmaster will present the CNA skills videos at the workshops.
  7. Review and discuss the CNA skills videos. T. Pachak informed the committee M. Johnson and T. Pachak went over the videos and sent back their recommendations to Headmaster. The skills videos will correspond with the CNA handbook. The skills videos are free of charge.
  8. Review and discuss the pass rates for manual and automatic blood pressure. T. Pachak informed the committee the new candidate handbook went into effect on January 01, 2021. The pass rates are from January 01, 2021, to July 01, 2021, and

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- include the new automatic blood pressure scores with rate of 80%. Manual blood pressure scores are still at a low, with only three total skills under 80 %.
9. Review and discuss Clinical Simulation. M. Johnson informed the committee since Clinical Simulation was being utilized, there has been a drop in the overall pass rates. Clinical Simulation may be used again due to the rising numbers of COVID-19 in the State of Nevada. T. Pachak has been conducting site visits and reviewing the utilization of Clinical Simulation and case studies. R. Kidd informed the committee that clinical sites require students to be vaccinated and will be mandating the vaccination policy.

D. Recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting on October 28, 2021.

1. M. Johnson recommends review of the CNA employment verification form.

PUBLIC COMMENT: M. Johnson expressed her gratitude to R. Kidd for the CNA committee application recommendations.

ADJOURNMENT-The meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.