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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

MEETING MINUTES

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Thursday, May 8, 2025

The Nevada State Board of Nursing Licensed Practical Nurse Advisory Committee Meeting was called to order by Sam McCord, RN, BSN, Director of Investigations and Discipline, at 2:00 p.m. on May 8, 2025, via video and telephonic conferencing.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cheri Crumley, LPN
Michelle McNary, LPN
Samantha Polfer, BSN, RN, CCHP-RN
Carl Balcom DNP, MBA, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE
Cheri Crumley, LPN
Janai McFarland, LPN

MEBERS ABSENT

Christy Coss, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Sam McCord, RN BSN, Director of Investigations and Discipline, Chair Cathy Dinauer – Executive Director Fred Olmsted- General Counsel Gabriela Hernandez-Aguilar, Management assistant

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by S McCord at 2:00pm.

Public Comment: None.

A. Approval of Minutes: Member C. Balcom made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded by Member J. McFarland. Motion

carried. Member J. McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Member C. Crumley. Motion carried.

B. Old Business:

The committee reviewed and discussed the revisions to the Nevada State Board of Nursing Practice Decision titled "Respirator." Member C. Crumley stated that the revisions and improvements made to the practice decision by all members and board staff are appropriate and recommended moving the document forward to the full Board for consideration. Member M. McNary made a motion to approve the revised practice decision. Member S. Polfer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

C. New Business:

- 1. Cathy Dinauer provided an update on the March 2025 Board Meeting. There was a discussion regarding Question #7 on the application, which asks whether an applicant has a condition or impairment that could affect their ability to practice safely, competently, and professionally. The matter was brought to the Disability Advisory Committee for review. While there was some discussion about possibly eliminating the question entirely, the committee recommended retaining it with a few modifications. The revised version of the question was subsequently presented to the Board and was approved. Another update was provided regarding the Nurse Licensure Compact. The compact was included in Senate Proposal 34 (SP34), which was part of the broader Patient Protection Commission bill. The bill included five compacts in total. Unfortunately, SP34 did not receive a hearing during the legislative session and therefore did not move forward. Senate Bill 78, which serves as a follow-up to Senate Bill 431 from the 2023 legislative session. SB 431 transferred oversight of boards and commissions to the Department of Business and Industry. Senate Bill 78 was introduced to further clarify and define the scope of that oversight. At this time, SB 78 has seen little movement and is still awaiting further action. Another bill related to board oversight, Senate Bill 425, was discussed. This bill proposes granting oversight of boards and commissions to the Department of Administration There appears to be ongoing discussion and lack of consensus regarding which agency—Business and Industry or the Department of Administration—should have primary oversight of the Title 54 boards, which include the Nursing Board, Medical Board, Dental Board, Veterinary Board, Social Work Board, and others. Assembly Bill 319 would grant authority to APRNs and RNs to delegate tasks to and supervise Medical Assistants (MAs).
- 2. Sam McCords presented the quarterly scope of practice trends and questions for 2024/2025. A total of **117 calls** were received during the second quarter, reflecting a slight increase from the same period the previous year.

Recommendations for Agenda Items for Future Committee Meeting: Member C Balcom. recommended that the committee begin reviewing the other existing practice decisions to identify and prioritize those that may require revisions.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:44p.m. on Thursday May 8, 2025.