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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

MEETING MINUTES

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, August 21, 2025

The Nevada State Board of Nursing Licensed Practical Nurse Advisory Committee Meeting was called to order by Cathy Dinauer, Executive Director, at 9:00 a.m. on August 21, 2025, via video and telephonic conferencing.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carl Balcom, DNP, MBA, RN, NEA-BC, CHE, FACHE
Christy Coss, RN
Samantha Polfer, BSN, RN, CCHP-RN
Cheri Crumley, LPN
Janai McFarland, LPN

MEBERS ABSENT

Sam McCords RN, BSN, Director of Investigation and Discipline (Chair)
Michelle McNary, LPN

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Dinauer – Executive Director
Fred Olmsted- General Counsel
Gabriela Hernandez-Aguilar, Management assistant

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Cathy Dinauer at 9:00am.

Public Comment: None.

A. Approval of Minutes: Member J McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded by Member C Balcom. Motion carried.

B. Old Business: Cheri Crumley presented the Practice Decision titled “Assessment and MDS/RAI. 8-week online MDS/RAI course for LPNs. Cost: \$750, which includes electronic books or printed books available for \$165. Course covers MDS 3.0 Essentials and RAI Certification. Recertification required every two years. LPNs in Nevada and multiple other states are eligible to take the course and practice within their scope once certified. Member Balcon made a motion to approve the practice decision, member Polfer second. Motion passed.

C. New Business:

1. Fred Olmstead provided a summary of key legislation from the 2025 Nevada Legislative Session. Assembly Bill 319, Effective January 1, 2026, allows APRNs to supervise or delegate to Medical Assistants (MAs). Senate Bill 165, Establishes a new license for Behavioral Health and Wellness Practitioners allowing APRNs to supervise individuals with this license. Assembly Bill 360, APRN’s are authorized to perform STD testing for pregnant patients. Assembly Bill 484 Mandates workforce data collection. Assembly Bill 161, Addresses Hospice and DHHS regulations (Chapter 449). Senate Bill 188, Requires healthcare providers to take specific steps when working with patients who have limited English proficiency. Senate Bill 182, Addressed staffing ratios; passed but later vetoed by the Governor.
2. Fred Olmstead provided an update on the annual business meeting in July. Confirmed the Board’s Las Vegas office will relocate in early October; renovations and updates (carpet, paint, etc.) are in progress. The new location will provide improved infrastructure and services for southern Nevada licensees. Last year’s budget and the upcoming year’s budget were reviewed and approved with no concerns. The Board approved significant investments in infrastructure and technology upgrades to enhance data security and protect confidential information. No practice decisions were presented at this meeting.
3. Cathy Dinauer presented the 4th Quarter and annual FY 24/25 report for Scope of Practice trends and questions received by the Board. LPN-related practice calls have decreased compared to the previous reporting period.
4. Proposed 2026 committee meeting dates were reviewed to ensure no conflicts with Board meetings or holidays. No conflicts were identified. Member Balcom made a motion to approve the proposed meeting date for 2026, Member Crumley seconded. Motioned passed.
5. Revisions to the Nevada State Board of Nursing Practice Decision titled “*School Nursing,*” intended to clarify the LPN role in the delegation of nursing services, were recommended by Cathy to be discussed and continued at the next scheduled meeting in November.

Recommendations for Agenda Items for Future Committee Meeting: November 20, 2025, The School Nurse Practice Decision (Agenda Item C5) will be carried over and placed on the November agenda.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:33p.m. on Thursday August 21, 2025.