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Health Regulation and Licensing Administration



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD
MINUTES
November 4, 2015

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**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF NURSING
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
November 4, 2015
9:00 a.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

CONSENT AGENDA

September 2, 2015 Board of Nursing Minutes

ACTION: Approved

Dr. Sharon Lewis, Interim Senior Deputy Director

ISSUE: Meet with board member

Discussed "Caregiver" legislation before the Council

ATTORNEY ADVISOR REPORT

Draft regulation status: (See "**STATUS OF BON REGULATIONS**" below)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

2017 NCLEX-PN[®] Test Plan will be sent for review. Staff will submit comments by due date of December 18th

Sibley was commended for their work with the board to address unsafe nursing practice

Board Meeting Restructuring

Full board meeting

9:00 - 11:00 Public Meeting

1:00 - Until Executive Session (Disciplinary actions/hearings/settlement conference)

Sub-Committee day

9:00 - 10:00 Full Board

10:00-12:00 NAP Committee & Education Committees

10:00- 11:30 Board Panel (Disciplinary actions/settlement conference)

11:30- Until (Review referrals from board panel/Hearings)

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

December meeting

ISSUE: Holiday celebration discussed

NCSBN Annual Conference

ISSUE: Shark Tank Video (<https://www.ncsbn.org/8199.htm> (23)) (Tabled due to A/V equipment)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

N/A

MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION

APRN Regulation Revisions

ISSUE: Review for approval and referral for legal sufficiency review

BACKGROUND: The draft revision of APRN regulations has been shared with the APRN community. September 2, 2015 the board held an APRN forum inviting feedback and recommended revisions. The

draft was also sent to NCSBN staff for input. The significant revisions that have been made to the regulations are as follows. APRN draft regulations are attached.

The following grandfather clause will be added to the CNS/CNP regulations:

6008.3 A **CNS/CNP** currently practicing as an APRN in the District of Columbia as of the date these amendments are published as Final Rulemaking, shall continue in such practice with his or her specified population so long as he or she maintains certification and complies with any other requirements, if any, imposed by the Board of Nursing.

Primary and acute population foci will be added to CNP regulation:

5903.1 To qualify for a licensure to practice as a **CNP** the applicant must submit to the Board a completed application and fee and must be currently licensed in DC as a RN or eligible for licensure as an RN in this DC and must have graduated from an accredited graduate or post-graduate level CNP program and provide the following:

(a) Evidence of eligibility of licensure as an RN in DC

(b) Evidence of CNP national certification by a certifying body approved by NCSBN and recognized by the Board in one of the following population foci:

(1) Family/individual across the lifespan

(2) Adult-gerontology

(a) Primary

(b) Acute

(3) Neonatal

(4) Pediatrics

(a) Primary

(b) Acute

(5) Women's health/gender-related or

(6) Psychiatric/mental health

CNM regulation will clarify the population to whom they may provide primary health care:

5808.3 In addition to the general function specified in § § 5808.1 and 5808.2 the **nurse-midwife** may perform any of the acts listed below, including:

(a) Manage the care of the normal obstetrical patient;

(b) Perform minor surgical procedure;

(c) Manage the normal obstetrical patient during labor and delivery to include amniotomy, episiotomy, and repair;

(d) Initiate and perform local anesthetic procedures and order the necessary anesthetic agents to perform the procedures;

(e) Manage care of the newborn;

(f) Perform post-partum examination;

(g) Provide gynecological care for women;

(h) Prescribe appropriate drugs;

(i) Provide family planning and STD services;

(j) Provide primary health care **within their population**; and

(k) Such other functions and services the Board deems appropriate upon review and analysis of professional and association literature which articulates scopes and standards for nurse-midwifery practice

DECISION: Agree with request

APRN first assist

Add language under CNP as follows:

5908.2 The practice of a CNP includes:

(i) Performing procedures as first assist to the surgeon or proceduralist.

DECISION: Agree with request

APRN Titling

5912.2 The abbreviation for the APRN designation of a certified CNP will be APRNCNP, CNS, CNM, or CRNA

Rationale: 5912 - The requirement to use APRN, then your specialty seems redundant, we would support having the APRN's document their specialty – CNP, CNS, CNM, or CRNA – we feel it would lessen any possible confusion.

DECISION: Do not amend. The current language is consistent with APRN Consensus Model

Expand language to include contract with provider

5910.8 If the patient is determined to be at high risk for drug abuse or have a history of Substance use disorder, the APRN shall employ the use of a written agreement between the APRN and patient [or patient and provider] outlining the patient's responsibilities, including, but not limited to...

DECISION: Agree with request

MOTION: Approve amended language

VOTE: Unanimous

LPN Practice Requirements

ISSUE: Current regulatory requirements, see below, do not allow LPNs to administer hypnotics. DOH has been asked to revise the regulations to omit the exclusion of the administration of hypnotics.

5514.4 A practical nurse shall not:

(a) Administer the following medications:

- (1) Investigational or toxins;*
- (2) Antineoplastic agents;*
- (3) Anesthesia or conscious sedation;*
- ~~*(4) Hypnotics;*~~
- (5) Oxytocics; or*
- (6) Medications by way of intrathecal or epidural route;*

MOTION: Remove hypnotics as a non-allowable medication.

VOTE: Unanimous

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Referral to Education/Practice Sub-Committee: Board asked to convene a meeting with health care facilities and nursing programs regarding clinical placements

ADJOURNMENT

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b), and the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Executive Section which is closed to the public.

STATUS OF BON REGULATIONS

REGULATION	STATUS	NOTES
Registered Nurse	Draft	Complete side by side
Licensed Practical Nurse	Draft	Complete side by side
Nursing Education Programs	Comment period	Published October 9, 2015
Certified Nurse Practitioner	Draft	Final board review November 4, 2015
Clinical Nurse Specialist	Draft	Final board review November 4, 2015
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Draft	Final board review November 4, 2015
Certified Nurse Midwife	Draft	Final board review November 4, 2015
HHA regulation amendments	Legal sufficiency review	
NAP Omnibus (MAC, DT, PCT, CNA)	Legal sufficiency review	
NAP Fees	Final	