

Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

MINUTES **CNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** Thursday, August 3, 2017

The committee meeting was called to order on Thursday, August 3, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. by Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN Director of Nursing Education via videoconference at the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Ste B300, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 and the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada 89502.

The CNA Advisory Committee advises and reports to the Board on matters related to Certified Nursing Assistants and Medication Aides-Certified.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Catherine Prato-Lefkowitz, PhD, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Education
Edward Aquino, RN
Sherry Crance, RN
Rhonda Meyer, RN
Carla Wright, RN
Carole Wiseman, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jacob Watts, CNA, Board Member Liaison
Tracy Gentry, CNA
Teresa Stricker, LASW
Rafael Villarreal, LPN

OTHERS PRESENT

Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director, NSBN
Kimberly Arguello, General Counsel, NSBN
Jeannette Calderon, Management Assistant, NSBN
C. Ryan Mann, MSN, RN, Application Coordinator, NSBN
Cynthia Peterson, Nurse Investigator, NSBN
Patty Towler, Licensing Coordinator, NSBN
Fran Chapman

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Dinauer informed the committee that the Board will be educating the community on the 2017 APRN legislative changes on September 22, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Grant Sawyer Building in Las Vegas and September 29, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Washoe County Health District in Reno.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 6, 2017 meeting: The minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on facilitating competency in CNA instructors: R. Mann provided an update to the committee. Since the last meeting, R. Mann has contacted the programs with the lowest scores and requested their plan and goals for improvement. Primary instructors of all programs were notified of the top 50% missed concepts on the written exam. The workgroup plans to meet to discuss further plans.
2. Review and discussion regarding workgroup follow-up report on Headmaster test bank validation: C. Wright provided an update to the committee. The workgroup expanded based on the other workgroup's effort to gather strategies and review topics for those concepts missed 60% of the time. The workgroup threw out about 40 invalid questions and revised about 100. The committee discussed concerns regarding the validity of written test bank and requested an test item analysis to be conducted to guarantee questions are within the Nevada CNA Scope of Practice and questions are currently and valid. C. Prato thanked the workgroup for their hard work in validating test bank and encouraged everyone to attend the Annual Headmaster Review to provide feedback and further improve the CNA certification exam.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and discussion regarding Headmaster examination pass rate for CY17: C. Prato shared the Headmaster written and skills examination report for year-to-date 2017. C. Prato informed the committee that she plans to continue to work with programs that are below 70%. She plans to meet with the high schools that offer the CNA program to discuss NSBN expectation of the instructors, coordinators and administrators. The Board at the July Board meeting requested a report on the CNA pass rates.
2. Review and discussion regarding Headmaster Annual Review on November 17, 2017 at 1:30pm, please RSVP: C. Prato reminded the committee regarding the November 17th meeting and encouraged to RSVP and bring feedback to the meeting and concerns regarding testing on concepts not on steps.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding request to remove NRS 632.294 3(a), 3(b), 3(d), 3(e), and 3(i) and NAC 632.330 remove 2(d): Senior Vice President of Fundamental Clinical and Operation Services, Fran Chapman informed the committee regarding plans to propose changes to statutes and regulations regarding the Medication Aides Certified (MA-Cs). Their plan is to attend Board of Nursing committees and Board meetings to gain support. F. Chapman provided a PowerPoint demonstrating the proposal to change the scope of practice for MA-Cs. Presentation included, alleviate nursing shortage in Nevada, improve patient quality of care by allowing nurses to provide more bedside care and assessment while MA-Cs pass medications, reduce medication errors, and facilitate a career path for CNAs. Proposed changes include, administration of routine controlled substances orally, sublingually or transdermal, count controlled substance with a licensed nurse or MA-C, witness destruction of medicine with a licensed nurse, conduct capillary glucose testing and administer insulin under certain conditions. Furthermore, it was proposed to remove limiting verbiage in NAC 632.330 2(d) and remove NRS 632.294 3(a), 3(b), 3(d), 3(e), and 3(i). The committee requested time to review literature resources and bring agenda item back to the next meeting for possible action.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

1. Follow-up report on facilitating competency in CNA instructors workgroup
2. Follow-up report on Headmaster test bank validation workgroup
3. Proposal to change the following Medication Aide-Certified status and regulations, NRS 632.294 3(a), 3(b), 3(d), 3(e), and 3(i) and NAC 632.330 remove 2(d)

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment at the end of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.