

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES OF THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING November 4, 2014**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Nursing Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Advisory Committee was called to order by Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, at 3:05 p.m. via videoconference at the Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada, 89502 and the Board of Nursing, 4220 South Maryland Pkwy, #B300, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89119.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, Chair  
Jay Tan, DNP, RN, APRN, Board Liaison (via teleconference)  
Cheryl Broussard, MSN, FNP-BC  
Gregory L. Peistrup, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-C, CFRN, CEN, EMS-RN  
John Phoenix, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-C (via teleconference)  
Susan VanBeuge, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CNE, FAANP  
Mary Betita, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Paul Kapsar, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC  
Arthur C. Savignac, CRNA, MHS (via teleconference)

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Richard Talusan, MSN, FNP-BC, NEA-BC  
Alona Dalusung-Angosta, Phd, APRN, FNP, NP-C

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Deena McKenzie, MSN, RN, CNML, Board Member  
Fred Olmstead, Board Counsel  
Patty Shutt, LPN, Site Operations Supervisor  
Roseann Colosimo, PhD, MSN, RN  
Gail Trujillo, Executive Assistant  
Grayson Wit, NSMA  
Jeanette Belz, NV Psychiatric Assn.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by D. Scott, at 3:05 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Debra introduced Deena McKenzie, NSBN's newly appointed Board member, to the committee.
- P. Kapsar provided the committee with an update regarding telehealth medicine. He explained that in 2015 Medicare will begin covering telehealth services. He also explained that pharmacy law in Nevada has been revised to allow practitioners to prescribe via telephone and/or video. Additional legislation regarding telehealth medicine will most likely be brought forward during the upcoming legislative session.
- Roseann informed the committee that the APRN audit procedure is working well. She thanked the committee for its help in creating the portfolio instructions.
- Debra announced that during her attendance at National Council of State Boards of

Nursing's International Nurse Regulator Symposium, a diagram was presented showing each state's compliance with the APRN Consensus Model. She was pleased to announce that Nevada was identified as being in full compliance with the APRN Consensus Model. If we are able to receive a copy of this diagram it will be posted online and published in the NSBN News magazine.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The minutes of the May 6, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Report from the September 2014 Board meeting: D. Scott reported the highlights from the September 2014 Board meeting.
2. Review, discussion and action regarding LCB File No. R105-14P: F. Olmstead informed the committee that LCB File No. R105-14P regarding APRN prescribing practices will be reviewed by the Board during the November Board meeting. If the Board approves the concept and wording of LCB File No. R105-14P a regulation hearing will be held at the January Board meeting. He clarified that the proposed regulations were drafted as a result of NSBN participating in Nevada's Prescription Drug Abuse Coalition meetings. The Prescription Drug Abuse Coalition is determined to encourage the safe administration, use and disposal of prescription drugs throughout Nevada.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Orientation of new committee members: There were no new committee members to orient.
2. Legislative update
  - a. DMV placards: S. Vanbeuge informed the committee that she spoke with the president of the Nevada Advanced Practice Nurses Association (NAPNA) and was informed that they have plans to introduce legislation during the upcoming legislative session to allow APRNs to sign the DMV applications for disabled license plates and placards and death certificates. D. Scott clarified that it is not the purview of the Board to introduce this legislation; however, the Board may vote to support, oppose or remain neutral on these issues during the legislative session.
  - b. Death certificates: This agenda item was discussed in conjunction with agenda item C.2.a.
  - c. 2015 Legislative Session: F. Olmstead explained that NSBN does not intend to sponsor any bills for the upcoming legislative session; however, as explained above, the Board may vote to support, oppose or remain neutral on all proposed legislation related to nursing. He informed the committee that we will most likely see proposed legislation regarding staffing ratios during the 2015 legislative session.
3. Review, discussion and action regarding APRNs discharging legal 2000 patients: R. Colosimo informed the committee that she was recently asked if an APRN can discharge legal 2000 patients. She explained to the committee that per NRS 433A.195 only a licensed physician may release a person admitted pursuant to NRS433A.160; therefore, an APRN may not release legal 2000 patients.

**D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** There were no recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- The committee was informed that the next APRN Committee Meeting will be held on February 24, 2015.
- S. Vanbeuge was pleased to announce that the amount of licensed APRNs in Nevada is increasing. D. Scott added that in the last year the total number of licensed APRNs has increased by 20%.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.