

#### MINUTES OF THE ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING November 3, 2015

## 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 Mary Betita, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC Alona Dalusung-Angosta, Phd, APRN, FNP, NP-C Gregory L. Peistrup, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-C, CFRN, CEN, EMS-RN Cheryl Broussard, MSN, FNP-BC Sheryl Giordano, APRN-C

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Arthur C. Savignac, CRNA, MHS Paul Kapsar, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC Elaine Cudnik, MSN, RN, CPNP

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Susan VanBeuge, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP Patty Shutt, LPN, Site Operations Supervisor Gail Trujillo, Executive Assistant Aften Hand, RN, Nurse Investigator Roseann Colosimo, PhD, MSN, RN

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

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- J. Tan and the committee members thanked Debra Scott for her hard work within the committee and the state of Nevada throughout her tenure with NSBN.
- The committee was informed that the Philippine Nurses Association, Nevada Chapter will meet on November 14, 2015.
- A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** The minutes of the August 4, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

### **B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Report from the September 2015 Board meeting: Board staff reported the highlights from the September 2015 Board meeting. D. Scott also announced that the Board appointed Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN as NSBN's executive director elect.

# C. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Orientation of new committee members: There were no new committee members to orient. D. Scott also confirmed that the committee members are receiving their meeting materials in a timely manner.
- 2. Review, discussion and action regarding APRNs working with MAs: D. Scott clarified that the Nevada State Board of Nursing does not regulate medical assistants (MAs).She also explained the investigative process Board staff follows when a complaint against an APRN is received. The committee agreed that more education regarding the role of APRNs working with MAs is needed. D. Scott will post her open letter regarding APRNs working with MAs on our Facebook page. This letter is also available on the NSBN and NAPNA websites. She also suggested that APRNs evaluate the pros and cons of delegating to MAs prior to proposing any legislative changes.
- 3. Review and discussion regarding the sample protocol for prescription of Schedule II Controlled Substances: The committee reviewed the sample protocol for the prescription of Schedule II Controlled Substances. This sample is available on NSBN's website and provides guidance for APRNs that have not worked 2 years or 2,000 hours and will be prescribing Schedule II Controlled Substances. The committee was encouraged to share this information with all APRNs.
- 4. Nevada Advanced Practice Nurses Association (NAPNA) update: S. Giordano announced that NAPNA currently consists of 400 paid members and over 600 following members. She added that NAPNA participated in multiple legislative initiatives during the previous legislative session including SB 6, SB 7, AB 93 and was in support of the AARP CARE Act. Additionally, they are beginning to prepare for the 2017 legislative session. Lastly, she announced that NAPNA will continue to hold its annual CEU events in Reno and Las Vegas in 2016.

# D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE FEBRUARY 23, 2016

**MEETING:** There were no recommendations for agenda items for the next meeting. D. Scott informed the committee that Cathy Dinauer will now chair the APRN Committee.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- J. Tan asked the committee for information regarding urine drug screening procedures for patients that are being prescribed controlled substances. The committee members shared various options for providers.
- D. Scott informed the committee that the Board has directed staff to begin developing a grassroots campaign to support enactment of the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC). If anyone is interested in receiving additional information about the NLC please contact D. Scott or G. Trujillo.
- S. VanBeuge and the committee thanked D. Scott for her hard work and wished her well in her retirement.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.