

# Nevada State Board of **NURSING**

## **MINUTES** **CNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** Tuesday, July 12, 2016

The committee meeting was called to order on July 12, 2016, 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  
Jacob Watts, CNA, Board Member Liaison  
Branden Murphy, RN  
Rafael Villarreal, LPN  
Carla Wright, RN  
Tracy Gentry, CNA

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Edward Aquino, RN  
Sherry Crance, RN  
Rhonda Meyer, RN  
Teresa Stricker, LASW  
Carole Wiseman, RN

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Cathy Dinauer, MSN, RN, Executive Director, NSBN  
Fred Olmstead, General Counsel, NSBN  
Kimberly Arguello, Deputy General Counsel, NSBN  
Cindy Peterson, RN, Investigator, NSBN  
Patty Towler, Sr. Certification Specialist, NSBN  
Jeannette Calderon, Management Assistant, NSBN  
Rosanne Hoff

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Prato called for public comment at the beginning of the meeting; there was none.

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 5, 2016, March 3, 2016, and April 5, 2016 meetings: Quorum of committee members were not present for action, minutes will be placed on the next CNA Advisory Committee meeting for approval.
  
- B. OLD BUSINESS:
  - 1. Board meeting follow-up: January and March 2016 meeting: C. Prato provided a report on the May 2016 Board meeting outcomes.
  - 2. Review, discussion and action regarding CNA training program template syllabus: C. Prato C. Prato has conducted many nursing assistant training program surveys in the past few months, she stated she has come across course syllabus that need improvement or new instructors that need help developing a course syllabus. Template syllabus will be sent out to committee members for feedback. No action taken.
  
- C. NEW BUSINESS
  - 1. Review and discussion regarding state certification examination vendor, Headmaster: Committee reviewed the Headmaster Training Summary report which shows an overall pass rate as previously requested by committee, as well as the skills detail report. C. Wright stated she has seen an improvement in the scores and believes it's due to numerous instructor workshops and content review to guarantee exam is based on the needs of Nevada.
  - 2. Review and discussion regarding the feeding pump skill: Committee discussed the skill and agreed that a CNA can turn off and disconnect the feeding pump but must get a licensed nurse to turn back on and reconnect.
  - 3. Review and discussion regarding orientation hours: Committee discussed accepting orientation hours as requirements for hours of employment for renewal of certificate. It was agreed that it will be accepted due to most orientation hours are spent on the floor as well as the hours being compensated.
  - 4. Discussion regarding legislative and media issues: F. Olmstead informed committee the Board will have a bill in the 2017 legislative session for approval of the Nurse Licensure Compact. Further he continued by stating previous legislative session have brought up discussion related to staffing ratios and awareness of prescription drug abuse that may resurface. APRN groups may also bring bill to allow them to sign off on Department of Motor Vehicle disability place as well as death certificates.
  - 5. Review, discussion and action regarding the CNA Skills Guidelines, skills with documented competence and training: C. Prato informed committee that several facilities have contacted the Board to inquire if CNAs are able to perform skills not listed on the CNA Skills Guideline. K. Arguello stated the section only lists additional skills with documented competency; therefore, if it's not listed is not within the CNA scope of practice. Committee agreed to review CNA Skills Guideline for specific language regarding documented competency. No action taken.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

1. Training program expiration date
2. Shaving a patient skill

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Prato called for public comment at the end of the meeting; there was none.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.