

AMENDED MINUTES CNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 01, 2015

The committee meeting was called to order on October 1, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. by Chris Sansom, MSN, RN, Director of Operations via videoconference at the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy, Ste B300, Las Vegas, and the Nevada State Board of Nursing, 5011 Meadowood Mall Way, #300, Reno, Nevada.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Sansom, RN, MSN, Director of Operations, ChairRhonda Meyer, RNBranden Murphy, RNCarole Wiseman, RNCarla Wright, RNEdward Aquino, RNRafael Villarreal, LPN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jennifer (Snidow) Krupp, CNA, Board Member Liaison Sherry Crance, RN

OTHERS PRESENT

Debra Scott, MSN, RN, FRE, Executive Director, NSBN Roseann Colosimo, PhD, RN, Education Consultant, NSBN Patty Towler, Sr. Certification Specialist, NSBN Jeannette Calderon, Management Assistant, NSBN Christie Daliposon, Management Assistant, NSBN Teresa Cartmill, BSN, RN, Investigator, NSBN Rebecca Testa, Aging & Disability Services Division

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: C. Sansom called for public comment at the beginning of the meeting; Branden Murphy commented that CNA students in rural areas have less access to the CNA exam and offered to go to the rural areas to administer the exam. Edward Aquino also expressed that he would be willing to administer the exam in the rural areas as well. R. Colosimo made the committee aware that Highland Manor of Elko is no longer allowed to have CNA students in their facility due to a recent survey. This will affect Great Basin College students. C. Sansom called for public comment at the end of the meeting and there was none.

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A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the July 7, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Report on the July and September 2015 Board meeting outcomes: C. Sansom informed the committee that the Qualification for Certified Nursing Assistant Hours of Employment for Renewal of Certificates advisory opinion that was revised by the committee was approved by the Board. A copy of the revised opinion and a sample letter will be sent to all facilities on the Board's personnel and disciplinary actions lists. C. Sansom also informed the committee that two CNA policies were revised and approved at the July Board meeting.

C. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Review and discussion regarding Headmaster: The scores for July 1 through September 30, 2015 were reviewed. The scores reflect students who were trained prior to Headmaster becoming the testing vendor and the next report will not reflect students in transition. R. Colosimo advised that there have been meetings with the training programs regarding the Train the Trainer manual, and that there will be a review of the skills on the current Headmaster exam. C. Wright informed the committee that any communication with Headmaster has been positive and that their availability is good. R. Colosimo stated that on November 16-17, 2015 Headmaster will provide workshops for instructors of the training programs. Notices for this workshop will be sent out at a later date.
- 2. Review and discussion regarding the Train the Trainer course: C. Sansom informed the committee that meetings were held with representatives of the College of Southern Nevada, Truckee Meadows Community College, Great Basin College, Western Nevada College and Board staff regarding revisions to the Train the Trainer manual. A consensus of the attendees supports a major revision to the current manual. Proposed revisions include creating an outline of the CNA instructor development course objectives, eliminating the teaching materials in the current manual, and allowing the colleges to develop the course based on Board approved objectives. The work of the group will be brought back to the committee at the next meeting.
- 3. Review and discussion regarding the CNA Skills Guidelines: C. Sansom proposed the committee review the CNA Skills Guidelines. C. Wright proposed removing all asterisks from the skills list because they are now taught in all of the training programs. B. Murphy proposed revision of the language under Respiratory disease to more clearly identify the role of the CNA as it is not within the scope of practice of a CNA to titrate an oxygen level and the current language is not clear. He also proposed clarifying language related to care of patients with IVs and feeding tubes. Additionally, the committee supported adding the following statement: The Nevada State Board of Nursing has previously opined that CNAs may perform tasks which are beyond those listed in the CNA Skills Guidelines if they complete additional training and have documented competencies, as long as the task is assigned pursuant to NAC 632.222 and NAC 632.224 by a licensed

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professional nurse. C. Wright discussed expanding language to skills that are vague for clarification. C. Sansom informed the committee that Board staff will send a survey with the Skills Guidelines to facilities that employ CNAs for their feedback on any revisions and will bring the results to the next scheduled committee meeting.

- 4. Review and discussion regarding CNA/MA-C training program applications or surveys: There is no business for this item.
- 5. Review and discussion regarding MA-C program: R. Colosimo informed the committee that the Perry Foundation is exploring creation of a MA-C training program. Currently, there are no programs or MA-Cs working in Nevada.
- 6. Discussion regarding legislative and media issues: D. Scott informed the committee that there are three sets of regulations beginning the workshop process and to watch for notices of these workshops on the Board's website. She also informed the committee that she is providing presentations on the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact and that a flyer will be sent to all facilities and committee members.
- 7. Suggested items for future CNA agendas:
 - Train the Trainer review
 - CNA Skills Guidelines
 - Headmaster report
 - Board meeting outcomes
 - Legislative and media issues
 - Suggested items for future CNA agendas

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.