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Board Notices

The Louisiana Center for Nursing

Registered nurses represent the largest segment of the healthcare workforce. Registered nurses are the health care professionals that spend the most time providing direct patient care to patients and are indispensable to patient safety (Hassmiller, 2009). Despite the current economic climate and its impact on the nursing shortage, a study conducted by Buerhaus, Auerbach, and Staiger (2009), indicated that although some parts of the nation may currently be experiencing a respite in terms of the nursing shortage, there continues to be a projected shortage of 260,000 RNs by 2025. Therefore, it is imperative that registered nurses, the healthcare industry, policy makers, and healthcare consumers do not become complacent and feel that the nursing shortage is over. According to the Industry and Occupational Employment Projections for 2006 thru 2016, the occupation with the greatest projected growth in Louisiana is registered nurses. There are expected to be 13,510 new openings for registered nurses in the state of Louisiana by 2016. In light of these findings, it is essential that strategic measures are taken to ensure that there is an adequate workforce to meet the current and future healthcare needs of the citizens of the state of Louisiana.

Registered nurses must be prepared to participate in the administration of a future healthcare system that may be very different from the healthcare system we have been accustomed to as a profession and a society. Registered nurses, advanced practice registered nurses, and nursing faculty must be prepared to take on the challenge of healthcare. Registered nurses must be equipped with the necessary tools to make appropriate data driven decisions that will impact health policy; we must embrace the use of health care technology; and we must prepare ourselves to participate in a health care system that could potentially be based on a pay-for-performance model which measures nursing care performance and seeks to reward improvements in quality and high performance based on pre-established outcome measures (Alliance for Health Reform, 2007).

An adequate supply of registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses is inherent in protecting the public health, safety and welfare of Louisiana citizens. The Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) has a long history of reporting demographical data relative to Louisiana's nursing workforce to the Governor, legislature, and other state agencies and public stakeholders, yet little is known about the projected need for registered nurses based on nursing demand data, educational preparation (Diploma, Associate Degree, Baccalaureate, Masters, Doctoral), and advanced practice (Nurse Practitioners, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, Certified Nurse Midwives, Clinical Nurse Specialists) in Louisiana. Many states, including our neighboring states of Mississippi, Florida, and Texas, have addressed nursing supply and demand issues through the efforts of nursing workforce centers. In the 2008 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session, Senate Resolution 152, authored by Senator Gerald Long and co-authored by Senators McPherson, Mount and Michot, urged and requested LSBN to establish a nursing workforce center in Louisiana. This resolution expands the charge to the Board to be involved not only with the credentialing of individuals that are licensed as registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses, but additionally with activities related to generating, analyzing and maintaining nursing supply, nursing demand, and nursing education data in order to determine the projected RN nursing workforce needs for the state of Louisiana. The Louisiana Center for Nursing (LCN), which falls under LSBN, was established to ensure that there is an adequate nursing workforce to meet the current and future healthcare needs of the citizens of the state of Louisiana. Nursing workforce issues are inclusive of developing methods for the collection and analysis of nursing supply and demand data for the state of Louisiana, expanding nursing education capacity, and addressing nursing practice issues in terms of recruitment, retention, and patient outcomes, as well as the facilitation of data driven decision making related to healthcare policy issues. Licensure and regulatory functions are not components of LCN's mission or function. If you would like to learn more about LCN, please visit the Center's website at <http://lcn.lsbns.state.la.us> or contact Dr. Cynthia Bienemy, Director of LCN, at bienemyc@lsbn.state.la.us.

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Board Actions of the December 7-9, 2009 Board Meeting

Education Actions

Approved to amend the previously approved November 19, 2009 Special Call Education Committee Meeting report to reflect that D. Porche and L. Agosta were charged with drafting clear and specific recommendations to the Board regarding modifications to Chapter 45.

Approved the revisions to §3515 Faculty Qualifications to initiate rulemaking.

Approved that the Board would establish a Task Force to revise Chapter 45. Advanced Practice Registered Nurses.

Approved that the eleven (11) member Task Force is composed of representative from both the Practice and Education arenas and include:

Dr. Lucie Agosta – *Practice*

Dr. Demetrius Porche – *Education*

LANP representative – *Practice*

(3) Representatives from LACANE (including 2 from the public sector and 1 from the Private sector) – *Education*

LANA representative – *Practice*

LSNA representative – *Practice*

CMM representative – *Practice*

CNS representative – *Practice*

(1) Representative to be appointed from the Board
Dr. Robert Bass invited as Ex-Officio member

Approved to include a representative from LONE and exclude the representative from the Board.

Approved that the purpose of the appointed task force is to propose rules and regulations for promulgation that revise Chapter 45 to ensure congruence with national standards and guidelines, current regulatory and certification issues, contemporary and future advanced practice models of care delivery, and current and future educational trends which are evidence based as appropriate. In addition, the specific taskforce charge shall include the following:

Review the following documents to identify the policy changes needed for APRN Practice and nursing education:

- a. AACN Essential
- b. NCSBN Competence Document
- c. Advanced Practice Certification requirements for APRNs
- d. SACS accreditation documents
- e. NLNAC and CCNE accreditation standards
- f. Literature on current and future practice and education trends

Analyze the policy gap incongruence between Chapter 45 and APRN education Certification and practice.

Propose policy modifications to Chapter 45 that address the current licensure, Accreditation, certification, practice and educational issues.

Accepted the recognition of the COA and add this group to the list of documents to identify the Policy changes needed for APRN practice and Nursing education.

Accepted that the Board utilizes the National Council Consensus Model as a guide to framework the revisions of Chapter 45 in the development of a position paper.

Acknowledged the receipt of the Notice of Intent from Herzing University New Orleans for Approval of Feasibility Study and Step I of Procedure to Establish an ADN Program and the Board has requested more information.

Acknowledged the receipt of the Notice of Intent from Bossier Parish Community College Shreveport Campus for

Your Suggestions for *The Examiner*

What topics of interest would you like to read about in this publication?

Please forward your suggestions to
greenw@lsbn.state.la.us for consideration.

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To safeguard the life and health of the citizens of Louisiana by assuring persons practicing as registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses are competent and safe.

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Education Actions (Cont...)

Approval of Feasibility Study and Step I of Procedure to Establish an ADN Program and the Board has requested more information.

Acknowledged the receipt of the Notice of Intent from Remington College Shreveport Campus for Approval of Feasibility Study and Step I of Procedure to Establish an ADN Program and the Board has requested more information.

Accepted the report from Southern University Shreveport School of Nursing in regard to compliance with LAC46XLVII.3517.I.

Approved the Louisiana State University Health Science Campus Center School of Nursing RN Refresher Course.

Accepted the approved for the Continuing Education Program for the University of Louisiana Monroe School of Nursing effective December 30, 009 through December 30, 2011.

Unfinished Business

Accepted the report to adopt the proposed rule LAC46:XLVII.3707. Guidelines on IV Therapy to Include PICC Line Infusion and Competencies.

Continuing Education with the National Council of State Boards of Nursing

The Board receives many calls about places to find continuing education on ethics, medication, administration, documentation, boundaries, etc. The National Council of State Boards of Nursing offers these topics and others at www.learningext.com.

Nurse Practice Actions

Approved to direct staff to write a letter of support to DHH, Department of Health Standards, to state that registered nurses who work within their scope of practice may provide services in a home setting and LSBN would support a licensure category in this area.

Approved that it is within the scope of practice of the registered nurse to administer Focalin XR 10mg orally per physician's orders.

Other Action

Approved that B. Morvant represents the Board of Nursing at the Healthworks Commissions meetings.

Approved the nomination of Debra Olds as Board President for 2010.

Approved the nomination of Patricia Johnson as Board Vice-President for 2010.

Approved the nomination of Lucie Agosta as Alternate Officer for 2010.

Administrative Actions

Approved the Vice-Presidents Report and 1st Quarter Financial Report as circulated.

Accepted the 2010-2011 Fiscal Budget as distributed with the understanding that the Administrative Committee will review for further revisions.

Approved to direct staff to initiate rulemaking to add to Chapter 33 a fingerprinting fee.

Accepted the proposed meeting dates as circulated and directed staff to recommend a date in an alternate month to be utilized to discuss disciplinary and other strategic matters.

Approved the SSA proposal to conduct Strategic Planning/Governance project and adjust 2009-2010 budget to provide funding.

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Disciplinary Actions of the December 7-9, 2009 Board Meeting

The files of 107 registrants were reviewed with a total of 125 following actions taken (some individuals had more than one action):

Reinstatements

Granted/Stipulations/Active	15
Denied/Delayed	2

Discipline Actions

Summary Suspension (Ratify)	15
Revoked	2
Suspended/Stipulations	20
Voluntary Surrender	4
Automatic Suspension/Ratify Staff Action	16
Suspend with Stay/Probate	6
Reprimand	8
Recall of Temporary Work Permit	2
Continuance Granted	2

Endorsement

Grant/Stipulations	0
Deny/Delayed/Ratify Staff Action	0

Education

Applicant: NCLEX Approved/Probation/Stipulations	2
Student: Automatic Suspensions (Clinical Nursing)	3
Student: Clinical Approve/Probation/Stipulations	16
Student: Clinical Deny/Delay/Stipulations	12

Special Statistics Included in Above

Consent Orders	65
Settlement Orders	4
Applicant: NCLEX	2
Student's Clinical	28

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Legend

Actions

CO : Consent Order

S : Student

R : Ratified

SO : Settlement Order

A : Applicant

VS : Voluntary Surrender

RNP : Recovering Nurse Program

Abshier, Becky Ann (S) (CO)

Delayed approval to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses until required stipulations are complete.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action

Addison, Sterling Renee (R)

License suspended for a minimum of 6 months due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Aguillard, Angela Kay (R)

License suspended due to non-compliance with RNP.

Allain, Blair Chaney (CO)

A letter of reprimand issued with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Inappropriate or Inadequate Supervision or Delegation; Falsifying Records

Anderson, Erica Emerson (CO)

License suspended with a stay, probated for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Anderson, Tracey Roger (CO)

Suspension of August 18, 2009 remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Narcotic Discrepancies

Andrepost, Todd Anthony (VS)

Voluntary Surrender of license for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Aples, Arlana Danielle (SO) (S)

9/28/09, Delayed approval to enter in clinical nursing courses until the court ordered probation is complete.
11/16/09, Delay continues until all court ordered probation is complete.
Charges: Criminal Arrest

Arias, Sherri Bowman (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Arnold, Jeffrey Bruce (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter/continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with a letter of Reprimand and stipulations.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action

Barbarin, Crystal Sissac (CO)

License suspended with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Berard, Paula Verret (CO)

11/05/09 License summarily suspended.
11/17/09 Suspension continues with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Fraud – Writing Fraudulent Prescriptions for Narcotic Pain Medication; Unauthorized Prescribing of Medication

Bercegeay, Ranji Lynn (R)

License summarily suspended.
Charges: Inappropriate Behavior with Juveniles

Blankenship, Lonnie Lynn (R)

License suspended minimum of 6 months due to failure to comply with Board Order.

Boudreaux, Bruce Joseph (FO)

License suspended with a stay, probated for 5 years with stipulations.
Charges: Sexual Misconduct

Broussard, Tracy Pons (R)

License suspended for a minimum of 6 months due to non-compliance with RNP.

Buller, Melissa Deville (R)

Delayed reinstatement of RN license.

Burr, Tamar Theopal (R)(S)

Suspended approval to continue in clinical courses due to non-compliance with RNP.

Byon, Virginia Coleman (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum 4 years with stipulations.

Caloian, Jr. Carl Aram (R)

License suspended minimum of 6 months due to failure to comply with Board Order.

Campbell, Sherry Bryan (FO)

License Revoked.
Charges: Criminal Conviction

Cascio, Ronda Daughty (R)

Licenses summarily suspended.
Charges: Unauthorized Prescribing of Medication

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Chandler, Kimberly Kay (CO)
10/30/09, License summarily suspended.
11/30/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or other Substance Abuse

Cobb III, Kenneth Keith (CO) (S)
Approval granted to enter/continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with a letter of Reprimand and stipulations.
Charges: Failure to Disclose

Corkern, Jodee Fontz (SO)
Suspension of license stayed, license reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum of 5 years with stipulations.

Cox, Frances Sampson (R)(A)
Temporary permit recalled.

Cox, Joy Comonique (R)(S)
Delayed approval to continue in clinical nursing courses due to having a pending criminal charge that involves a crime which constitutes a threat to patient care.

Cradeur, Stacey Holley (CO)
Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum 4 years with stipulations.

Creamer, Michelle Rene (CO)
10/16/09, License summarily suspended.
10/28/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Narcotic Discrepancies

Derouen, Monica Hogue (CO)
9/8/09, License suspended due to failure to comply with Board Order.
10/12/09, Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.

Deville, Lauren Christine (CO) (S)
Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program with probation for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.
Charges: Positive Random Drug Screen

Dunigan, Teresa Ann (CO)
Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum of 4 years with stipulations.

Edwardes Jr, Bradley Scott (CO)
Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum 3 years with stipulations.

Elliott, Donna Gunter (CO)
A letter of Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.
Charges: Narcotics Violation

Fontenot, Janet Lavergne (FO)
License suspended with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Unauthorized Prescribing of Medication; Criminal Conviction; Fraud, Deceit or Material Omission in Obtaining License or Credentials

Fosmire, Alisa Kriby (R)(S)
Suspended approval to continue in clinical nursing courses due to failure to comply with Board Order.

Freeman, Cindy Domangue (VS)
Voluntary Surrender of license for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

Garcia, John Michael (R)
License suspended due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Gardner, Regan Michael (CO) (S)
Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program with probation for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action

Gauthier, Rochelle Williams (CO)
Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum 4 years with stipulations.

Gautreaux, Raquel R. (SO) (S)
Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.
Charges: Criminal Arrests

Goeggle, Stephanie Dawn (CO)
9/25/09, License summarily suspended.
10/12/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.
Charges: Narcotics Violations; Substandard or Inadequate Care

Goza, Melissa Jenkins (R)(A)
Temporary permit recalled.

Granger, Ricky Charles (R)
License suspended due to Action in Another Jurisdiction.

Grube, Mary Paulette (CO)
9/18/09, Suspended license with a stay, probated for 3 years with stipulations.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely

Harris, Courtney Prothro (CO) (A)
Approval granted to take the NCLEX RN, to be issued a probated temporary work permit and to receive a probated license after successfully passing the licensing examination for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.
Charges: Criminal incidents involving Theft, Reckless Operation and DWI

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Hartwell, Shonta Lanay (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with probation for minimum of 1 year with stipulations.
Charges: Criminal Conviction

Hawkins, Jim Cabot (CO)

A letter of Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.
Charges: Filing False Reports or Falsifying Records

Hebert, Michael Lee (R)

License suspended for a minimum of 2 years due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Hekmatdoost, Nekissa (R)

License suspended for a minimum of 6 months due to non-compliance with Board Agreement.

Henry, Lydia Lemaire (CO)

Licensed suspended for 6 months with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Criminal Conviction; Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Huffstetler, Thomasina Andrea (R)

License suspended due to Action in Another Jurisdiction.

Huggins, Tracy Vanburen (R)

License suspended due to non-compliance with RNP.

Kelland, Ken George (FO)

10/13/09, License summarily suspended. 12/9/09, Suspension continues for an additional 6 months with stipulations. After successful completion of stipulations and clearance by staff and evaluators to practice nursing, respondent's license shall be reinstated with suspension stayed and probated for a minimum of 5 years with stipulations.
Charges: Patient Abuse

Kelley, Amy Wren (S) (CO)

Approval granted to enter/continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with a letter of Reprimand and stipulations.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action; Failure to Disclose

King, Rhiannon Duos (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program with probation and RNP for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.
Charges: Criminal Conviction; Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or other Substance Abuse

Landry, Kelly O'Friel (CO)

License suspended with a stay, probation and RNP for 4 years with stipulations.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Lankford, Pamela Kay (SO)

10/5/09, License suspended due to Action in Another Jurisdiction. 10/21/09, Suspension of license stayed, eligible to reinstatement with probation and RNP for a minimum of 5 yrs with stipulations.
Charges: License Revocation, Suspension or other Disciplinary Action taken by a Federal, State, or Local Licensing Authority

Lawson, Leara Sullivan (CO)

License suspended with a stay, probated for 3 years with stipulations.
Charges: Boundary Violation

Lee, Heather Mire (CO)

License suspended with stipulations.
Charges: Fraud, Deceit or Material Omission in Obtaining License or Credentials; Failure to Meet Licensing Board Reporting Requirement; Narcotics Violation or other Violation of Drug Statutes

Lee, Melissa Thornton (R)(S)

Delayed approval to enter/progress in clinical nursing until all pending criminal charges are resolved.

Lord Jr, Fred Alton (FO)

RN and APRN licenses are suspended with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Sexual Misconduct

Lynch, Maureen Duffy (CO)

A letter of Reprimand is issued with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Criminal Arrest; Failure to Disclose

McGee, Kathy Tolbert (CO)

9/21/09, License summarily suspended. 11/4/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

McKeithen, Wanda Elizabeth (S) (CO)

Delayed approval to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses until required stipulations are complete. Following completion of stipulations and approval of evaluators and staff, Student is approved to enter, progress to the next clinical nursing course contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program with probation for a minimum of 2 years.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Marcantel, Crystalne Brooke (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation for a minimum 3 years with stipulations.

Matthews, Diane Allen (CO)

A letter of Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.
Charges: Falsifying Records

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Mayers, Angela Frump (FO)

License revoked.

Charges: Criminal Conviction; Sexual Misconduct with a Juvenile

Mayfield II, Kenneth Paul (R)

License suspended due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Myers, Kirsten Johnson (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, eligible for reinstatement after completion of the application process with probation and RNP for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Myre, Reginald Trent (CO) (S)

Delayed approval to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses until required stipulations are met.
Charges: Other: Criminal Arrests

Napolitano, Kathleen Milliken (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, respondent's license is reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum 1 year with stipulations.

Nelson, James Howard (R)

License suspended due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Owens, Sarah McGehee (CO)

Suspension of license is stayed, eligible to reinstatement with probation for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.

Padgett, Barbara L. (FO)

License suspended with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement with stipulations.
Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Peterson, Dana Latrice (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, license reinstated with probation and RNP for a minimum of 5 years with stipulations.

Ralph, Gregory Leslie (CO)

10/2/09, License summarily suspended.
11/12/09, Suspension continues with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charge: Diversion of a Controlled Substance

Rami, Travis Jacole (R)(S)

Delayed approval to progress in clinical nursing courses until all pending criminal charges are resolved.

Ray, John William (R)

License summarily suspended.
Charges: Sexual Misconduct

Ridout, Adrien Kaye (CO) (S)

10/1/09 Delayed approval to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses until required stipulations are met.

Charges: Other: Criminal Arrest
11/24/09 Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Robinson, Linda McDowell (VS)

Voluntary Surrender of license for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

Rushford, Robert Carl (CO)

11/05/09, License summarily suspended.
11/25/09, Suspension continues with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charges: Narcotics Violation or Other Violation of Drug Statutes;
Diversion of Controlled Substance

Sandifer, Ira Chanell (CO)

A Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.

Charges: Misrepresentation of Credentials and Falsifying Records

Santana, Debra Edwards (CO)

10/16/09, License summarily suspended.
12/2/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Substance Abuse

Savarese, Laura Louise (CO)

A Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.

Charges: Practicing Beyond the Scope of Practice; Falsifying Records

Scott, Brandie Guidry (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter/continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with a letter of Reprimand and stipulations.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action

Segari, Jessica Lynne (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program with probation for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.
Charges: Other

Simms, Jason Wayne (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.
Charges: Criminal Conviction

Sisco, Kendra Osbourn (R)

License suspended due to Action in Another Jurisdiction.

Smith, Elaina Hinchman (R)(S)

Delayed approval to continue in clinical nursing courses until the court ordered probation is complete.

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Snyder, Dana Sheree (CO)

9/25/09, License summarily suspended.
11/12/09, Suspension remains with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Szita, Andras (R)

Denied reinstatement of RN license.

Taylor, Tia K. (CO) (S)

9/21/09, Delayed approval to enter/ progress in clinical nursing courses until all pending criminal charges are resolved.
12/4/09, Approval granted to enter/ continue in clinical nursing courses contingent upon meeting admission requirements established by the nursing program, with a letter of Reprimand and stipulations.

Charges: Prior Criminal Action

Tate, Jake Garrett (R)

License summarily suspended.

Charges: Sexual Misconduct

Theriot, Aaron Farleigh (CO)

Voluntary Surrender of license for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

Charges: Narcotics Violation or Other Violation of Drug Statutes; Diversion of Controlled Substance

Tidwell, Brian Jack (CO)

Suspension of license stayed, eligible for reinstatement with probation and RNP for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations.

Urquhart, Jr, Charles Stuart (CO)

11/5/09, License summarily suspended.
11/18/09, Suspension continues with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charge: Falsifying Records; Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse

Valentine, Stephen Ryan (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 2 year with stipulations.

Charges: Other: Criminal Action

Vitello, Angela Danae (FO)

License suspended with a stay, probated for 1 year with stipulations.

Charges: Narcotice Violation or Other Violation of Drug Statutes

Walker, Dita Bethune (R)(S)

Delayed approval to enter or progress in clinical nursing courses due to currently having a probated LPN license.

Waugh, Elizabeth Marie (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Charges: Criminal Arrests

Wilke, Jessica Taylor (R)

Suspended approval to continue in clinical nursing courses.

Williams, Lisa Ann (CO)

A letter of Reprimand is issued with stipulations and a fine.

Charges: Criminal Conviction; Falsifying Records

Wise, Tracy Atkins (CO)

License suspended with stipulations to complete prior to requesting reinstatement.

Charges: Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse; Narcotics Violation or Other Violation of Drug Statutes

Wolfe, Jamie Renee (CO) (A)

Approval granted to receive a probated license after successfully passing the licensing examination for a minimum of 3 years with stipulations and compliance with RNP.

Wollerson, Christopher Brent (CO) (S)

Approval granted to enter, advance or continue in clinical nursing courses with probation for a minimum of 1 year with stipulations.

Charges: Other: Criminal Arrests

Zenon, Kimberly Ann (CO)

License suspended for a minimum of 30 days beginning 11/12/2009 with stipulations. Thereafter, suspension of license shall be stayed with probation for a minimum of 2 years with stipulations.

Charges: Filing False Reports or Falsifying Records

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2010 State Holidays

Good Friday	Friday, April 2, 2010
Memorial Day (by proclamation)	Monday, May 31, 2010
Independence Day	Monday, July 5, 2010
Labor Day	Monday, September 6, 2010
Veterans Day	Thursday, November 11, 2010
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 25, 2010
Christmas Day	Friday, December 24, 2010

** Holidays listed "by proclamation" are not legal holidays until proclaimed by the governor of Louisiana.*

Board Meeting Dates

Board meetings will be held on the following dates:

Committee Meetings

April 20-21, 2010
July 20-21, 2010
October 19-20, 2010
January 19, 2011

*(Administrative, Credentialing, Education, Compliance,
and Practice Committees)*

Board Meetings

March 15-17, 2010
June 7-9, 2010
September 13-15, 2010
December 6-8, 2010

Advisory Council Meetings

March 15, 2010
September 13, 2010

Lost and Stolen Licenses

The list of lost and stolen licenses for Winter 2009 is located at the LSBN website at

<http://www.lsbn.state.la.us/Documents/Examiners/ExaminerWinter2009LostLicenses.pdf>

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HAS YOUR NAME OR ADDRESS CHANGED?

You can change your address on our website, www.lsbn.state.la.us, under "Online Services".

If you prefer to send the change in by mail, please complete this form and return it to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810.

This is a change of:

_____ **Name (Documentation Required)*** _____ **Address** _____ **Replacement Card Needed****

* Copy of a marriage license, divorce decree with name restoration clause, or other legal document granting a name change is required.

** A licensee who wishes a license card replaced because of a change in name or address must return the current license card to the Board, give information that is to be changed, and pay a \$10.00 replacement fee.

For identification, please provide one of the following:

LA RN License # _____ Social Security Number _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Daytime phone _____

Current Name and Address:

Name (Last, First, Middle) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number (area code/number) _____

Mobile Number (area code/number) _____

Former Name and Address:

Name (Last, First, Middle) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Number (area code/number) _____

Email Address _____

No Fee for Name or Address Change (Copy as Needed)

LEGAL DUTY TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF NAME OR ADDRESS CHANGE

Every RN with a Louisiana license is responsible for immediately notifying the Board office in writing of any name or address change. Correspondence from the Board, such as licensure renewal, notice of Board Actions printed in The Examiner which may affect the license, as well as disciplinary charges and notice of hearing are mailed to the last known address of the Registered Nurse. The responsibility rests with the licensee to assure that the Board has a current address on file at all times. Failure to properly notify the Board of one's current address can result in a lapsed license, noncompliance with regulations of the Board, or disciplinary action in the nurse's absence. **Correspondence to the last known address is legal notice.**