Louisiana State Board of Nursing
APRN Task Force Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2010

Call to Order
The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing Task Force to establish a position paper on the NCSBN Consensus Model for APRN regulation, and revision of Chapter 45 of L.A.C. 46:XLVII, was called to order by Dr. Demetrius Porche, co-chair at 10:00am in Salon A of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810.

Roll Call
Task Force Members Present
Co-chair: Demetrius Porche, DNS, APRN, PhD
Co-chair: Lucie Agosta, PhD, APRN
LA CANE public sector representatives (Louisiana Council of Administrators of Nursing Education):
- Sandra Brown, APRN, PhD, Southern University
- Valarie Waldmeier, APRN, PhD, McNeese University
LANA representative (Louisiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists):
- Darlene Hardy, APRN, CRNA
LANP representative (Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners):
- Lisa Bayhi, APRN, ACNP, FNP
LONE representative (Louisiana Organization of Nurse Executives):
- Deborah Ford, MSN, RN
LSNA representative (Louisiana State Nurses Association):
- Denise Danna, RN, DNS
CNS representative (Clinical Nurse Specialist):
- Florencetta Gibson, APRN, PhD
CNM representative (Certified Nurse Midwife):
- Gretchen Deeves, MSN, APRN

Task Force Member Excused
LA CANE private sector representative:
- Ann Cary, RN, PhD, Loyola University

Non-voting Task Force Member Absent
Robert Bass, M.D., LSBN Ex-Officio Board member

Staff Present
Margaret Griener, MPH, APRN, PNP, Director of Credentialing & Practice
Patrick Cantin, IT Analyst
Brenda Kelt, Licensing Analyst, Recorder
Laura Guillory, Licensing Analyst, Back-up Recorder
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**Staff Excused**  
Patricia Dufrene, MSN, RN, Director of Education/Licensure

**Review of Minutes**  
The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the March 12, 2010 APRN Task Force meeting.

**Motion**  
by D. Hardy, seconded, that the Committee approve the minutes of the March 12, 2010 APRN Task Force minutes.

**Vote**  

10:08 am Deborah Ford joined meeting

10:10 am Sandra Brown joined meeting

**Old Business**  
**Status of Research Assignments**

- **Sandra Brown** – LA CANE public sector representative:  
  - Masters and DNP Documents (AACN documents)  
    - Status: Completed and report posted to Sharepoint.

- **Valarie Waldmeier** – LA CANE public sector representative:  
  - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)  
    - Status: Report pending

- **Ann Cary** – LA CANE private sector representative:  
  - National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF)  
    - Status: Report pending

- **Deborah Ford** – LONE representative:  
  - DHH, CMS, Joint Commission, Magnet accreditation, Baldrige criteria  
    - Status: Completed and report posted to Sharepoint. Committee member requested to add ‘Implications to Chapter 45’.

- **Sophia Thomas** – LANP representative and Co-Chair Lucie Agosta:  
  - American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)  
    - Status: Research articles posted to Sharepoint. Summary report in template format pending.

  - Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB)  
    - Status: Research articles posted to Sharepoint. Summary report in template format pending.
Darlene Hardy – LANA representative:
- Council on Certification/Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists (CCNA/AANA)
  Status: Research completed, report in template format pending

Denise Danna – LSNA representative:
- American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Corporation (AACN)
  Report completed and posted to Sharepoint (AACN & ANCC together in one report). Committee member requested to add information on the 3 P’s, rename last column ‘Implications to Chapter 45’ and research AACN position on ‘Comprehensive Care’ exam.
- American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
  Status AACN & ANCC: Report completed and posted to Sharepoint. Committee member requested to add information on the 3 P’s and rename last column ‘Implications to Chapter 45’.
- Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC)
  Status: Report pending

Florencetta Gibson, CNS representative:
- National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS)
  Status: Research articles posted to Sharepoint. Summary report in template format pending.

Gretchen Deeves, CNM representative:
- American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB)
  Status: Report completed and posted to Sharepoint.
- National Certification Corporation (NCC)
  Status: Report completed and posted to Sharepoint

Demetris Porche – Co-chair:
- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
  Status: Report completed and posted to Sharepoint.
- National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)
  Status: Report completed and posted to Sharepoint

NCSBN Position Paper – deferred until research is complete
Ann Cary – LA CANE private sector representative
Valarie Waldmeier – LA CANE public sector representative
Denise Danna – LSNA representative
Demetris Porche – Co-chair
Lucie Agosta – Co-chair
Chapter 45 revision – deferred until research is complete
Demetrius Porche – Co-chair
Lucie Agosta – Co-chair
Margaret (Peggy) Griener – LSBN Director of Credentialing and Practice

NCSBN Consensus Model document
Co-chairs: Demetrius Porche and Lucie Agosta
Status: Initial Consensus Analysis report completed and posted to Sharepoint for consideration of Chapter 45 revisions. Co-chair (D. Porche) suggested to the committee the possibility of having a representative from the NCSBN come to LSBN for review and discussion of the Consensus Model document.

Update of NCSBN Comparison Chart
Chart showing comparison to NCSBN Model Rules was updated by Board staff to include a column for LSBN Nurse Practice Act (NPA) information. Input of committee recommendations in the last ‘comments’ column will be deferred until all research materials has been presented and reviewed by the committee.

Recurring Practice Issues
Director of Credentialing and Practice (M. Griener) advised that Board staff receive questions regularly on what an APRN applicant practice. We have not addressed scope of practice while waiting to take the certification exam and issued full licensure.

New Business Policy Analysis
Co-chair (D. Porche) presented a structure analysis of NCSBN model Nurse Practice Act (NPA) and model Rules with comparison to LSBN Rules and Regulations Chapter 45. Committee members agreed it would be helpful to have everything specifically related to APRN licensure and practice included in Chapter 45 and have the Nurse Practice Act (NPA) to be broad in scope.

11:00 am Committee took break

11:15 am meeting resumed

National Certification Organizations Reports
LSNA representative (D. Danna) presented information from American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Corporation (AACN).

11:45 am Deborah Ford left meeting. Committee broke for lunch
12:10 pm meeting resumed

CNM representative (G. Deeves) presented information from American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB). The name of the CNM certification organization needs to change to the ACNM (American College of Nurse-Midwives Certification Council) to AMCB in Chapter 45, Titles section § 4503.1

LA CANE representative (S. Brown) presented information from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) on the following documents:
- Draft of Master’s Essentials (dated 2/17/2010)
- Essentials of Doctoral Education (dated October 2006)

12:45 pm Darlene Hardy left meeting.

Identification of Issues
From Certification Organization’s Analysis

The following issues were raised for policy consideration:

1. First Assist in OR (operating room) scope for APRN.
2. Clarify definitions in Chapter 45 to be clear as in NCSBN Consensus model.
3. NCSBN criteria for evaluating Certification Programs.
4. Three (3) separate graduate courses for: health/physical assessment, pathophysiology and pharmacology (The 3 P’s).
5. Clarify practice of AP applicant under temporary permit status.
6. Prescriptive authority issued with APRN licensure and not a separate application process.
7. Regulatory control to recognize the AP certification body and accept proof of current national certification in the nurse’s AP role for continued practice and annual license renewal.
8. Specify credentials to be recognized and accepted order of credentials.
10. Define title that will be regulated. Regulate role and population, not specialty.
11. Change name of CNM certifying organization in Chapter 45, Titles section § 4503.1 to American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB).
12. Not require a collaborative practice agreement.
13. Entry into APRN practice at doctorate level.


15. APRN licensure by commensurate criteria when there is no certification exam.

16. Criteria for endorsement of APRNs to include: AP certification, specific population, courses in 3 P’s, minimum of 500 supervised hours and MSN degree.

17. What is the position of the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN) on the Comprehensive Care exam by the Council for the Advancement of Comprehensive Care (CACC).

18. Role of the Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL).

Reschedule of Next Meeting
Due to scheduling conflicts of committee members, the Task Force meeting planned for May will be deferred until June. The next meeting will be held on the 2nd Friday of June 11, 2010 with a start time of 10:00 am and anticipated run time to 2:00 pm to allow for presentations of the remaining research reports from committee members and group discussion. A box lunch will be provided by Board staff. Committee members with pending or revised reports are requested to submit their drafts to the co-chairs for review.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm noon

Submitted by:

Margaret Griener, Director - Credentialing and Practice

Approved 6/11/2010