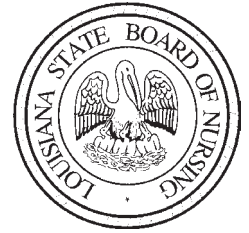


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2003 STATE HOLIDAYS

March 4, 2003

Mardi Gras (Statute)

April 18, 2003

Good Friday (Statute)

May 26, 2003

Memorial Day (By Proclamation)

July 04, 2003

Independence Day (Statute)

September 01, 2003

Labor Day (Statute)

November 11, 2003

Veterans Day Observance (Statute)

November 27, 2003

Thanksgiving Day (Statute)

November 28, 2003

Acadian Day (By Proclamation)

December 24, 2003

Christmas Eve (By Proclamation)

December 25, 2003

Christmas Day (Statute)

December 31, 2003

New Year's Eve (By Proclamation)

January 1, 2004

New Year's Day (Statute)

Holidays by proclamation are subject to change at the discretion of the Governor

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RN, CNP, was elected to a third consecutive term as President of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. Ms. McClanahan is the first person to hold the Board member position designated for an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse and is serving her second term on the Board of Nursing. She is employed as a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in Monroe.

Also, reelected for a second term as in office, was Vice-President Deborah Ford, MSN, RN, CNA and Patsy Bourgeois, MSN, CNS, RN, as alternate officer. Ms. Ford is Director over Emergency Services, Hyperbaric and Wound Care Services, and Employee Health at Lafayette General Medical Center. Ms. Bourgeois is a long-term member of the faculty at Louisiana Tech University School of Nursing and holds one of the two Nurse Educator positions.

STAFF VACANCIES

Registered Nurse Manager/Credentialing Manager

This is an administrative position responsible and accountable for collaboration with the Credentialing Director Education to address a broad range of activities related to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse licensure and the granting of prescriptive authority in accordance with legal standards and rules and regulations of the board. The responsibilities of this position will be to evaluate transcripts, certification documents and other credentials as required to ascertain that the requirements are met; to review and evaluate advanced practice certification programs to assure compliance with established criteria; to communicate with applicants, licensees, employers, and physicians; to remain abreast of trends in credentialing/licensure in advanced practice nursing; to coordinate activities with programs in nursing at undergraduate and graduate levels; and to visit advanced practice registered nurse practice sites.

Qualifications:

- Possess a Master's degree in Nursing.
- Have administrative and nursing practice experience.
- Possession of a valid license to practice as a registered nurse in Louisiana and plus four years of professional nursing experience.
- Ability to operate office equipment. Must have computer skills and be able to access and accomplish on-line processing through mainframe and networked systems, world-wide web, and central data systems and ability to identify problems for users and make recommendations for resolutions of problems in operation of same;
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Possess professional manner.
- Can establish and maintain positive interpersonal relationships
- Ability to lift thirty (30) pounds;
- Ability to sit and stand for long periods

Starting salary is negotiable within the civil service range of a MS 69 level and includes compensation for education and experience.

Registered Nurse Manager/Compliance Manager

This is an administrative position responsible and accountable for collaboration with the Compliance Director to address a broad range of activities related to the compliance/practice functions and the enforcement of the nurse practice act within a defined geographical area of the state. The responsibilities of this position will be in the areas of investigations, practice compliance inquiries and Recovery Nurse interventions and monitoring related to a geographical area. This position will serve as liaison for nurses, employers, and the public within the assigned geographical area regarding matters of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. All Regional Managers will be stationed in the Metairie Board office but will travel to the geographical area periodically.

Qualifications:

- Possession of a valid license to practice as a registered nurse in Louisiana and a minimum of a bachelor's degree in nursing plus four years of professional nursing experience. Master's degree in Nursing preferred. Administrative and nursing practice experience preferred.
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Starting salary is negotiable within the civil service range of a MS 69 level and includes compensation for education and experience.

Qualified candidates for either position should mail, e-mail or fax a resume with a cover letter, and three references to: Louisiana State Board of Nursing, Attn: Human Resources, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 601, Metairie, LA 70002; lsbn@lsbn.state.la.us
Fax 504-838-5433.



NEW INDEPENDENT STUDY CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE FOR REGISTERED NURSES

"Most Frequently Asked Questions," an independent study five-hour continuing education course for registered nurses, addresses topics in ongoing questions regarding the licensure and practice of registered nurses. Topics addressed cite appropriate statutes (mostly the Nurse Practice Act) and related administrative rules. Convenient hyperlinks facilitate accessing the Board of Nursing's Internet site. A table of contents lists the broad topics and a detailed alphabetical index provides the page numbers for specific topics. Directions are given for obtaining five contact hours of CE credit for a fee of \$20.00. The website of the Board may be accessed at www.lsnb.state.la.us. Once at the website, click on publications and then scroll to "MFAQ" and click on it. Once you have completed the course, download the answer sheet, fill in the answers and mail the answer sheet with a check made payable to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing for \$20.00. Mail answer sheet and check to LSBN, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 501, Metairie, LA 70002. If you are unable to download the course, please contact Ms. Lydia Favorite at 504-838-5386 for assistance.



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NURSE EDUCATION LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is currently accepting applications. The deadline is **March 31, 2003**. The Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program (NELRP) offers registered nurses substantial assistance to repay educational loans in exchange for service in eligible facilities located in areas experiencing a shortage of nurses.

HRSA prefers that applications be submitted online, although they will accepted paper forms. Go to bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/loanrepay.htm to apply online.

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## APRNs AND THE MANAGEMENT OF INTRAPARTUM CARE

The President, Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Nurse Midwives petitioned the Board of Nursing regarding the authorized scope of practice for a family nurse practitioner or woman's health nurse practitioner to evaluate, manage and/or treat pregnant women who are or may be in labor, intrapartum, when the APRN's education does not provide this didactic content.

In accordance with the Law Governing the Practice of Nursing (R.S. 37:913(3)(4) the definition of "advanced practice registered nursing" requires a minimum of a master's degree with a concentration in the respective advanced practice nursing specialty which includes both didactic and clinical components. In order for an APRN to be licensed and practice in a certain nursing specialty the APRN must document education of both didactic and clinical components within that specialty such as the management of intrapartum care. Since the Law requires the documentation of education as a prerequisite to APRN licensure the APRN may not use continuing education or on-the-job training to meet the requirement of the Law for "didactic and clinical" education with the nursing specialty as a basis of licensure.

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MAJOR MOTIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN AT THE DECEMBER 4, 2002 BOARD MEETING

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

Accepted the Vice-President's Report and First Quarter Financial Statement Report for July 1, 2002 - September 30, 2002.

Adopted the proposed adjustments for 2002 - 2003 budget.

Adopted the proposed 2003 - 2004 budget.

Adopted the proposed policy regarding the Executive Director's authority to sign contracts on behalf of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

Adopted the proposed meeting dates of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

Accepted for publication the proposed independent study continued education course.

Approved the action of requesting a public hearing on the proposed rules entitled EMS Certification submitted by the Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission that was published in the November 20, 2002 issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

Approved with a resolution of intent to the Executive Director to take steps to fully investigate necessary actions to purchase property.

CREDENTIALING ISSUES

Denied approval of the ANCC clinical nurse specialist in advanced diabetes management certification exam and the ANCC nurse practitioner in advanced diabetes management certification exam as a basis for APRN licensure; and

Approved the ANCC clinical nurse specialist and nurse practitioner in advanced diabetes designation to be added to the list of certifications that are acceptable for Registered Nurse continuing education requirements for relicensure.

Approved the changes to LAC 46:XLVII.3329 to allow lapsed grandfathered APRNs to apply for temporary permits for the purpose of reinstatement and LAC 46:XLVII.4507 to allow individuals with lapsed grandfathered APRN status to apply for a six (6) month temporary permit and to practice under the temporary permit for the required 300 hours of clinical practice per year with editorial revisions.

Approved the proposed revisions to LAC 46:XLVII.3329 and LAC 46:XLVII.4507 for rulemaking with editorial revisions.

EDUCATION ISSUES

Faculty Exceptions: Ratified staff action and **approved** the following requests for Exception to LAC:46:XLVII.3515.B.7 "Facility Qualifications": Baton Rouge General Medical Center UL Monroe

Approved the request of Northwestern Louisiana University and Debra Baggett to accept her academic credentials for a faculty position according to LAC: XLVII.3515.B.4.

Approved the request of Charity/Delgado School of Nursing and Alesia Thompson to accept her credentials for a faculty position according to LAC: XLVII.3515.B.4.

Approved the request of Dorothy A. Landry to recognize her academic credentials as meeting the qualifications to be a program head of an associate degree program as specified in LAC: XLVII.3515.B.3.

Approved the request of Pearl River Community College, ADN Program to utilize Washington St. Tammy Regional Medical Center, Northshore Regional Medical Center, and Slidell Memorial Hospital for clinical experiences January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2004.

Approved graduate programs in Louisiana preparing graduates for Advanced Practice Registered Nursing Licensure.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES:

After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following nursing practice opinions:

The Program Director, Bureau of Health Services Financing, DHH requested an opinion regarding the scope of practice of certified nurse practitioners (CNP) performing certain CPT codes.

99221 Initial hospital care for the evaluation and management of a patient that requires medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity.

99222 Initial hospital care for the evaluation and management of a patient that requires medical decision making of moderate complexity.

99232 Subsequent hospital care for the evaluation and management of a patient that requires medical decision making of moderate complexity.

99243 Office consultation for a new or established patient that requires medical decision making of low complexity.

99244 Office consultation for a new or established patient that requires medical decision making of moderate complexity.

99251 Initial inpatient consultation for a new or established patient that requires straightforward medical decision making.

99252 Initial inpatient consultant for a new or established patient that requires straightforward medical decision making.

99253 Initial inpatient consultation for a new or established patient that requires medical decision making of low complexity.

99254 Initial inpatient consultation for a new or established patient that requires medical decision making of moderate complexity.

99261 Follow-up inpatient consultation for an established patient that requires medical decision making that is straightforward or of low complexity.

99262 Follow-up inpatient consultation for an established patient that requires medical decision making of moderate complexity.

93015 Cardiovascular stress test using maximal or sub-maximal treadmill or bicycle exercise, continuous electrocardiographic monitoring, and/or pharmacological stress, with physician supervision, with interpretation and report.

96115 Neurobehavioral status exam (clinical assessment of thinking, reasoning and judgment, e.g., acquired knowledge, attention, memory, visual spatial abilities, language functions, planning) with interpretation and report, per hour.

81001 Urinalysis automated, with microscopy.

87149 Microbiology identification by nucleic acid probe.

87480 Microbiology Candida species, direct probe technique.

87490 Microbiology Chlamydia trachomatis, direct probe technique.

87510 Microbiology Gardnerella vaginalis, direct probe technique.

87590 Microbiology Neisseria gonorrhoeae, direct probe technique.

87797 Microbiology Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA), not otherwise specified; direct probe technique, each organism.

In order for a CNP to perform Board approved procedures as designated by the specific CPT codes it must be within that said APRN's area of specialization and consistent with the APRN's collaborative practice agreement with the collaborative practice physician(s).

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RNP = Recovering Nurse Program

Anding, Brenda S. (Ratified)

Suspended license due to action in another jurisdiction.

Baldrige, Danna Annette Rosier (Settlement Order)

Probated license for 2 years with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Criminal Arrest: Drug-Related

Bearly, Sharron Beth

Suspended with stay and probated license for 3 months with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Criminal Conviction

Beason, Deborah Jane Frye (Applicant)

Endorsement delayed until criminal charges are resolved.

Bernstine, Rutha Lee (Applicant)

Ineligible for licensure by exam, graduation from nursing school more than 4 years ago.

Blaney, Charon Derral Hamilton (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay and probation of licensure minimum 3 years with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Narcotics Discrepancies, Documentation Errors.

Boudreaux, Anthony David (Consent Order)
(Applicant)

Reprimanded license with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Previous Arrest and Failure to Disclose.

Campo, Sharon Arlene Hickey (Consent Order)

Reprimanded license with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Practicing without a valid RN license.

Doelling, Michael Lewis William (Consent Order)

Reprimanded license with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Previous Arrest

Dontay, Cary Dwayne (Consent Order)

Reprimanded license with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Falsifying records

Doucet, Christopher James (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

Ferguson, Tracy Ann

Suspended with stay and probation for 12 months with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Narcotic Discrepancies

Gelpi, Deborah Ellen Plateo

License suspended and fine.

Charges: Positive drug screen and narcotic discrepancy.

Gimber, Amy Claire Ashell (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

Hales, Kristin Leigh (Student)

Delayed to enter/continue clinical courses until court ordered probation is completed.

Harris, Brent Allen (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

Harter, James Andrew (Consent Order)

Suspension stayed and after completion of reinstatement application, license probated for 5 years with stipulations.

Hebert, Brandy R. (Ratified)

Delayed entrance into clinical nursing courses until there is documented evidence regarding the completion of probationary status with Probation and Parole Office.

Hoffpauir, Katherine Ann

Suspended license with fine.

Charges: Narcotic Discrepancies and Failure to Cooperate with the Board.

Hoffpauir, Tina Marie Guidry (Consent Order)

Suspended with stipulations to complete prior to reinstatement.

Charges: Drug Related: Writing/Calling in an Illegal Prescription.

Jackson, Sarah Jenkins (Consent Order)

Suspended license minimum 6 months with stipulations.

Charges: Failure to practice nursing in accordance with the legal standards of nursing practice.

Johnsey, Michael Keith (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay and after completion of reinstatement process, license will be reinstated with probation minimum 5 years with stipulations and fine.

Junius, Samantha (Settlement Order)

Reinstated license with probation for 8 months with stipulations and fine.

Kirby, Amy Beth McGee (Consent Order)

Voluntary Surrender of license.

Kirkham, Dinah S. Poole (Consent Order)

Retained license with probation for minimum 5 years with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Failure to comply with standards of nursing practice; Narcotic documentation discrepancies.

Lamothe, Nicholas Joseph (Consent Order)

Voluntarily surrendered license.

Lathon, Roderick (Consent Order) (Student)

Approved for clinical nursing courses with probation, stipulations and fine.

Charges: Prior criminal action.

Louis, Sharon Lee Hendrickson (Consent Order)

Suspended license with stay and probated for minimum 1 year with stipulations and fine.

Charges: Failure to disclose; Criminal convictions

Lund, John Alton Jr. (Ratified)

Summarily suspended license.

Charges: Criminal Arrest.

McCool, Nancy Lynn Boyd (Ratified)

Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

McDonald, Joycelyn Elizabeth

License suspended with fine.

Charges: Criminal arrest and failure to maintain minimum standards of nursing.

Morgan, Lana Diane Surry (Consent Order)
Suspended license with stay and probated for 2 years with stipulations.
Charge: Failure to disclose, Chemical dependency.

Nelson, Ceasar Ronckfonzo (Consent Order)
Suspended license with stay and probated for 2 years with stipulations.
Charge: Failure to practice nursing in accordance with the legal standards of nursing practice.

Peifer, Michael Frederick (Consent Order)
Reinstated license with probation for 5 years with stipulations.

Peterson, Dana Latrice (Consent Order)
Suspended license with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Drug Related-Presenting Illegal Rx

Pinkley, Patrick (Consent Order) (Student)
Approved for clinical nursing courses with probation, stipulations and fine.
Charges: Prior Criminal Action.

Poisso, Kevin Lynn (Consent Order)
Suspended license with stay and probated license for 1 year from January 24, 2003 with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Drug Related: Positive Urine Drug Screen.

Poole, Pamela Renee (Consent Order) (Applicant)
Suspended license with stay of suspension and probated minimum 2 years with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Action in another jurisdiction.

Powell, Karen Jo Cook (Ratified)
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Randall, Andrea (Ratified)
9/12/02 Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.
12/4/02 Suspended license minimum of 3 years with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Narcotics discrepancies and Diversion; Working Without a License.

Sanderson, Tara Ann Mondello (Settlement Order)
Suspended license with stay and probated for 12 months with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Failure to practice nursing in accordance with the legal standards of nursing.

Shumock, Lydia Elizabeth
Revoked license with fine.
Charges: Failure to maintain minimum standards, failure to follow orders, documentation errors, medication errors, wastage errors, narcotic discrepancies, drug related –other, inability to practice safely due to physical or mental condition.

Stromboe, Richard Roland (Consent Order)
Eligible to retake NCLEX-RN and after completion of evaluations and passing NCLEX, suspended license with stay and probation minimum 48 months with stipulations and fines.
Charges: Failure to Report Arrests; Alcohol-related Arrest: Failure to Comply with Consent Order: Working Without a Permit.

Sylvester, Ted James (Ratified)
Suspended license due to non-compliance with Board Order.

Waguespack, Kent Paul
Reinstated license with probation for 12 months with stipulations and fine.

Wampler, Serina Ann (Ratified)
Suspended license due to non-compliance with RNP.

Weir, Mark Kevin (Consent Order)
Retained license with probated for 18 months with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Action in another jurisdiction and failure to comply with board order.

White, Lula Mae Reynolds (Consent Order)
Voluntarily surrendered license.

Wilson, Connie Lynn Farmer (Consent Order) (Student)
Approved to continue in clinical nursing courses with probation, to receive a probated temporary work permit, and to be eligible for NCLEX; and after passing exam, receive probated license minimum one year with stipulations and fine.
Charges: Prior Criminal Arrest.

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**JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY FOR APRN  
MEETINGS**

Joint Administrative Committee meetings - The February 7, 2003 meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing's office, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 601, Metairie, Louisiana. All other meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. at the Louisiana State Medical Society's office, 6767 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the following dates:

- February 7, 2003
- April 4, 2003
- June 13, 2003
- August 15, 2003
- October 17, 2003
- December 5, 2003

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## ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Advisory Council meetings will be held at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing's office, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Metairie, Louisiana, from 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon on the following dates:

March 10, 2003  
September 8, 2003

## BOARD MEETING DATES

Committee meetings of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates:

January 14-15, 2003  
April 15-16, 2003  
July 15-16, 2003  
October 14-15, 2003

Board meetings will be held at 8:30 a.m. on the following dates:

| Closed Board Meetings | Open Board Meetings |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| March 10-11, 2003     | March 12, 2003      |
| June 9, 10, 2003      | June 11, 2003       |
| September 8, 9, 2003  | September 10, 2003  |
| December 1, 2, 2003   | December 3, 2003    |

All committee and board meetings will take place at the Louisiana State Board of Nursing's office, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 501 and 601, Metairie, Louisiana. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the open Board meetings. Any group wishing to attend open Board meetings should contact the Board office at least four weeks prior to the meeting date to verify availability of space. Discipline hearings are held on the above specified closed meeting date(s). All actions of the Board are taken in open session. Specific times for agenda items are not established. If there are questions concerning when an agenda item will be addressed, contact the Board office.

**Agendas are posted on the Board's web site; [www.lsbns.state.la.us](http://www.lsbns.state.la.us) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date.**

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If so, please complete this form and return it to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing 3510 N. Causeway, Suite 501, Metairie, LA 70002.

**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 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) \_\_\_\_\_

**Former Name and Address:**

Name (Last, First, Middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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