

**Credentialing Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**April 16, 2003**

- Call to Order**            The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing Credentialing Committee was called to order by Karen Moody, Chair, at 9:08 a.m. on April 16, 2003, in the Board meeting room, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste 501, Metairie, LA.
- Roll Call**                **Committee Members Present**  
Karen Moody, PhD, RNC, Chair  
Tommie Ashby, BSN, RN  
Debby Olds, RN  
**Board Members Present**  
Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RDMS, CNP, RN  
Patsy Bourgeois, MSN, RN, CNS (guest)  
**Staff Present**  
Ellienne Tate, EdD, RN, Credentialing Director  
Charlann Kable, BSBA, Licensing Analyst
- Guests**                The following guests attended the meeting:  
Kathleen Martin, Louisiana Association of Certified Nurse Midwives
- Review of January 15, 2003 Minutes**    The Committee reviewed the January 15, 2003, Credentialing Committee minutes
- Motion**                by T. Ashby, seconded, that the committee approve the minutes of the January 15, 2003 Credentialing Committee.
- Vote**                    Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.
- Review of Certification Program-Certification Examination for Diabetes Educators by the National Certification Board For Diabetes Educators**    K. Moody discussed the findings by staff and noted that although the certification program requires passing the examination every five (5) years and practice in diabetes management, there is no continuing education (CE) requirements for certification or re-certification. Further, that while the program does meet many of the criteria for advanced practice certification as outlined in the rules in LAC 46. XLVII.4511, it does not meet criteria #5 that requires that the advanced practice didactic education be in the specialty.
- Motion**                by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee not approve the certification program – Certified Diabetes Educator credential by the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators as being equivalent to or exceeding the continuing education requirement for relicensure.
- Vote**                    Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.
- Motion**                by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee not approve the certification program – Certified Diabetes Educator credential by the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators for advanced practice licensure.
- Vote**                    Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

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**Review of Survey of Member Boards Procedures/Policies Regarding Foreign-Educated Nurses** The Committee reviewed the survey of Members Boards procedures/policies regarding foreign educated nurses by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). Discussion ensued. No action was required.

**Review of Materials from American College of Nurse Midwives: Comparison of Certified Nurse Midwives, Certified Midwives and Certified Professional Midwives** Kathleen Martin, CNM, Louisiana Association of Certified Nurse Midwives, presented the Committee with a packet of information relative to the Comparison of Certified Nurse Midwives (CNM), Certified Midwives (CM) and Certified Professional Midwives (CPM). Ms. Martin addressed the Committee. Currently, CM's are required to take the same science courses as CNM. Since 2001, licensed CM's are allowed to practice in New York and New Jersey. There are less than 100 practicing licensed CM's at present. Discussion ensued as to which agency would license CM's. The Board of Nursing does not have the statutory authority to license anyone other than Registered Nurses. Currently there are less than 10 active midwives licensed under the medical board.

Ms. Martin stated she is also in discussion with LSUHSC regarding the proposed certified nurse midwife program.

**Motion** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee forward the material and a summary of this discussion and Kathleen Martins testimony to the full Board for informational purposes.

**Vote** Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the chair be authorized to add an agenda item, which came from the Advisory Council.

**Vote** Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

**Request from the Advisory Council to Review the Board's Rules on Out of State Schools Use of Clinical Facilities in Louisiana** Dr. Katherine Wren, Director, LSUHSC Nurse Anesthetist Program requested at the April 14, 2003 Advisory Council that the Council ask the appropriate Committee of the Board look at the rules regarding graduate levels use of clinical facilities as it relates to the use of out of state students using the state facilities for clinicals. The Committee determined that LAC 46:XLVII.4509.2 addresses this issue and that the out of state schools in question must follow these guidelines.

**Motion** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee direct staff to (1) publish a notice in the next issue of the Examiner notifying all hospitals of the rules involving out of state clinicals and (2) issue a written notice to out of state schools that are in violation that they must comply with LAC 46:XLVII.4509.2. Further that the issue be forwarded to the Education Committee to review the rules and make revisions as necessary to assure that the education of Louisiana students be a priority.

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**Vote** Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** by T. Ashby, seconded, that the meeting adjourn

**Vote** Ashby – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

**Adjournment** The Committee adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Ellienne Tate, Credentialing Director**

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Board Agenda Items**

- 3 Accept the report of the Credentialing Committee
- 3.1 Not approve the certification program – Certified Diabetes Educator credential by the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators as being equivalent to or exceeding the continuing education requirement for relicensure.
- 3.2 Not approve the certification program – Certified Diabetes Educator credential by the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators for advanced practice licensure.