

Louisiana State Board of Nursing
APRN Task Force Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2011

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. Lucie Agosta, Co-chair at 10:08 am in the Administrative Conference Room of Southeastern University Baton Rouge campus, located at 4849 Essen Lane, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70809.

Roll Call

Task Force Members Present

Co-chair: Demetrius Porche, DNS, APRN, PhD

Co-chair: Lucie Agosta, PhD, APRN

CNM representative (Certified Nurse Midwife):

- Gretchen Deeves, MSN, APRN

CNS representative (Clinical Nurse Specialist):

- Florencetta Gibson, APRN, PhD

LANA representative (Louisiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists):

- Laura Bonanno, DNP, CRNA

LANP representative (Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners):

- Debra Berger, APRN, FNP

LONE representative (Louisiana Organization of Nurse Executives):

- Deborah Ford, MSN, RN

NACNS – President, Louisiana affiliate representative (National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists):

- Fiona Winterbottom, MSN, APRN, CNS

Task Force Member Excused

AARP Louisiana representative:

- Denise Bottcher, Communications Director

LA CANE private sector representative (Louisiana Council of Administrators of Nursing Education):

- Ann Cary, RN, PhD, Loyola University

LA CANE public sector representatives:

- Sandra Brown, APRN, PhD, Southern University
- Valarie Waldmeier, APRN, PhD, McNeese University

LSNA representative (Louisiana State Nurses Association):

- Denise Danna, RN, DNS

Robert Bass, M.D., LSBN Ex-Officio Board member

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Staff Present

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN, Executive Director
Cynthia York, RN, MSN, CGRN, Director – Practice and Credentialing
Patricia Dufrene, MSN, RN, Director of Education/Exam Licensure
Brenda Kelt, Licensing Analyst, Recorder

Guests Present

None

Review of Minutes The committee reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 29, 2011 meeting.

Motion by D. Porche, seconded, that the Committee approve the minutes of the April 29, 2011 APRN Task Force minutes.

Vote Agosta – yes, Berger – yes, Bonanno – yes, Deeves – yes, Ford – yes, Gibson - yes, Porche – yes, Winterbottom - yes. Motion carried.

Old Business

Chapter 45 Revisions

Discussion ensued regarding May 27, 2011 draft of Chapter 45 revisions prepared by Board staff. The following suggestions for revisions were proposed:

General Suggestions:

Continue to replace ‘specialty’ with ‘role and population foci’ throughout document.

§4503 – Titles:

B.3 - Clinical Nurse Specialist:

Rewording definition to compliment Consensus Document without using the word '*specialty*' if possible.

10:12 am Fiona Winterbottom joined the meeting

C. – APRN shall include one of the following population foci:

Research with National Council how to classify '*Public and Community Health*'. Obtain feedback from DHH. The Consensus Document does not list '*Public and Community Health*' in the population foci level.

10:18 am Gretchen Deeves joined the meeting

§4505 – Definitions:

Advanced Practice Registered Nursing Specialty – Reconsider definition. Aim was to define ‘*Specialty*’ within the framework of statutes (Nurse Practice Act) Suggested alternative could say ‘*coursework*’ in the area of concentration (specialty) might be more applicable than stating ‘*graduate degree*’, especially for APRNs who obtain certifications in multiple specialties beyond their population foci.

Ancillary Services – Needs definition as relates to NPA and CRNA practice.

Anesthesia Care - Needs definition as relates to NPA and CRNA practice.

Curriculum – Need better definition referring to outcomes. See below for additional notes regarding APRN education.

§4505 – Definitions and §4517 – Educational Requirements

APRN Educational and Faculty sections of Chapter 45:

After discussion, committee agreed to remove sections of Chapter 45 related to APRN education and faculty and move them to Chapter 35. This would place rules for both RN and APRN education together.

Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) – Added with reference to revised statute number, but without definition.

Subspecialty – Change to ‘*Specialty*’ as defined in the Consensus Document.

Under the Guidance of an Approved Preceptor – delete.

§4507 – Licensure as Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

A – Initial Licensure:

A.1.b. – Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role*’, in first sentence. Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’ in last sentence.

A.1.b.i - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

B – Licensure by Endorsement:

B.1. - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

B.1.d. - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

B.2 - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

B.2.a - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

B.2.b - Change ‘*category*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’.

D – Renewal of Licenses by Certification, Commensurate Requirements, or Grandfathering:

D.2. – Regarding ‘grandfathered’ APRNs. Further discussion requested. Some areas of practice such as ‘maternal child’ still have no national certifying exam. Board staff will provide committee with data regarding APRNs that holding an active license issued under the original grandfather rule, but without national certification. Data to include the individual’s AP role, population foci, specialty, and current area of nursing practice.

D.2 (continued) – Change ‘category and area of specialization’ to ‘role and population foci and/or specialty’.

D.3 - Regarding ‘grandfathered’ APRNs. Further discussion needed.

D.3 - Change ‘category and area of specialization’ to ‘role and population foci and/or specialty’.

D.4 – Keep in first two (2) sentences up to and including “...until the requirement for reinstatement of an APRN license are met”, delete the rest.

F – Reinstatement of an APRN License

F – Change this to letter ‘E’

E.2.e - Regarding ‘grandfathered’ APRNs. Further discussion once research on active APRNs without certification has been reviewed.

E.2.e (continued) - Change ‘category and area of specialization’ to ‘role and population foci and/or specialty’.

§4509 – Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Certification

B.2 – Delete American College of Nurse Midwives as a national CNM certifying organization. There is only one national certifying organization for nurse midwives – AMCB (below)

B. 3 – Change ACNM Certification Council to American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB).

B. 4 – Change Council on Certification/Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists to National Board on Certification & Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists

Resort list of certifying organizations in §4509.B alphabetically after updates noted above.

§4513 – Scope of Practice

A - Last section, change “as those described in the scope of practice statements for nurse practitioners” to “as those described in the scope of practice statements for APRNs”

B – letter designation missing. Renumber all ‘C’ items as ‘B’.
Change C.1, C.2, C.3, C.4, C.5, C.6 to numbers only – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 under letter ‘B’

C.1 (to change to ‘1’ under ‘B’) – define what is accepted as ‘*published professional standards*’. Board staff to bring samples to committee for review.

C.1 (to change to ‘1’ under ‘B’) – change ‘*specialty and functional role*’ to ‘*role and population foci*’. Also change ‘*categories*’ in last sentence to ‘*roles*’.

C.1.d (to be listed as ‘d’ under B.1) – change ‘*and responsibility of the specialty and functional role*’ to ‘*and responsibility of the advanced practice role and population foci*’.

C.1.f (to be listed as ‘f’ under B.1) – change ‘*relevant to the advanced nursing specialty and functional role*’ to ‘*relevant to the advanced nursing role and population foci*’.

C.5 (to be listed as ‘5’ under ‘B’) – Additional information needed to reword or include in this section scope for perianesthesia care by CRNAs.

C.6 (to be listed as ‘6’ under ‘B’) – Delegation of medication administration to medical assistants or unlicensed personnel in office setting. Additional information needed for this section.

§4515 – Prescriptive and Distributing Authority

A.1 – Requirements for Prescriptive Authority.

A.1.d.i – change ‘*APRN applicant or APRN student*’ to ‘*APRN applicant or student*’.

A.1.d.vi.(b) – Provide definition or content needed for ‘*clinical practice guidelines*’

A.1.d.vi.(b).(iv) – Delete ‘*reviewed and signed at least annually by the APRN and physician to reflect current practice*’

Change D.1, D.2, D.3, D.4, D.5, to numbers only – 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 under letter ‘D’

D – Controlled Substances. Change to allow APRNs to ask for controlled substances with initial prescriptive authority instead of accumulating 500 hours after receiving Legend drug privileges. Delete the following sections: D.3.b, D.3.c, D.3.f, D.3.g, D.3.h, and D.3.i.

Committee broke for lunch at 12:15 pm

Committee resumed at 12:35 pm

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E – Drug Maintenance, Labeling and Distribution

E.a. – Delete the first sentence ‘APRNs shall not receive samples of controlled substances’

F – Continued Competency for Prescriptive Authority. First sentence, change ‘*pharmacotherapeutics in their category and area of specialization*’ to ‘*pharmacotherapeutics in their advanced nursing role and population foci*’ or ‘*pharmacotherapeutics in their advanced nursing role*’.

G. – Changes in prescriptive authority. Further discussion needed on method and/or documentation an APRN would submit to Board if prescriptive authority privileges changed due to change in site/group, physicians and/or scope of practice.

§4515 – Continued Competence of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse.
Renumber to §4516.

§4516.C – Discussion regarding adding a ‘*Peer Review*’.

§4517 – Educational Requirements.

Move this section into Chapter 35.

The following areas to be researched for further discussion at the next meeting:

- CRNA scope of practice to better match AANA guidelines
- Improve definition for CNS role
- Review current CPA (Collaborative Practice Agreement) template
- Scope and standards of practice for each advanced role and population foci
- Grandfathered requirements, primarily CNS role

Next Meeting

The next Task Force meeting was rescheduled for Wednesday, July 27, 2011. Start time of 10:00 am. If unable to attend, committee members are asked to see if an alternate representative from their organization can come in their place and email co-chairs and Board staff with the name and contact information of the individual.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm



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