

**Louisiana State Board Of Nursing
Credentialing Committee Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2004**

- Call to Order** The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing Credentialing Committee was called to order by Dr. Karen Moody, Chair, at 1:10 p.m. on October 26, 2004, in the Board meeting room, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Ste 601, Metairie, LA.
- Roll Call**
- Committee Members Present**
Karen Moody, PhD, RNC, Chair
Tommie Ashby, BSN, RN
Deborah Olds, RN
Patsy McClanahan, MSN, RNCNP
- Staff Present**
Margaret Griener, MPH, APRN, Credentialing Manager
Ellienne Tate, EdD, RN, Consultant for Education/Research
Charlann Kable, BSBA, Licensing Analyst
- Guests**
- Nora Steele, DNS, RN, PNP, Member, Board of Nursing (arrived 1:30 p.m.)
Frankie Rosenthal, MSN, RN, CNS, Member, Board of Nursing (arrived 1:30 p.m.)
Joni Nickens, FNP, Louisiana Association of Nurse Practitioners
Cathryn Wright, FNP
- Review of Minutes** The Committee reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2004 Credentialing Committee and the June 14, 2004 Special Call Meeting.
- Motion** by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee approve the minutes of the April 28, 2004 Credentialing Committee.
- Vote** Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.
- Motion** by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee approve the minutes of the June 14, 2004 Special Call Meeting.
- Vote** Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.
- Update on Chapter 45**
- P. Griener reported on the status of changes to Chapter 45. Draft #3 of the proposed revisions to Chapter 45 is on the October 27, 2004 Board agenda for approval to go forward with rulemaking. (This Board meeting was originally scheduled for September but was postponed due to a hurricane evacuation.) Committee members request clarification on some changes to the rules.
- 1) Page 9 of 34, a question was raised as to why the definition of “Clinical Practicum Coordinators” was added. P. Griener stated this was added per a request by the CRNAs who use this definition. She will clarify the definition as needed.
- 2) Page 19 of 34, 4513.A.1 includes a reference to “other health care providers” but A.2 and A.3 do not use this terminology. The explanation is that the Nurse Practice Act only addresses collaborative practice agreements with physicians or dentists and not with other health care providers.
- 3) Page 2 of 34, why is pharmacology not included in the definition of APRN Specialty. This definition came directly from the current Nurse Practice Act. Any reference to pharmacology or pathophysiology should really be included as licensing

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criteria but currently only APRNs who apply for prescriptive authority must document pharmacology and pathophysiology. Should the Board decide to include these requirements in the definition or in the licensing requirements, it can still be added in during the rulemaking process. This requirement would mostly affect the Clinical Nurse Specialists in Community Health Nursing since their program does not require pharmacology.

Motion by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the chair be allowed to reorder the agenda.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Recognition of CCTN Certification as Meeting C.E. Criteria for Relicensure The Committee reviewed a request to recognize the Certification as a Clinic Transplant Nurse (CCTN) Certification as meeting C.E. criteria for Relicensure and to add the American Board for Transplant Certification - CCTN to the list of “Certifying Bodies as Meeting Criteria for C.E.’s for Relicensure.” Based on the materials presented the CCTN requirements meet the standard to recognize the certification as comparable to our continuing education requirements for relicensure.

Motion by P. McClanahan, seconded, to recognize the Certification as a Clinic Transplant Nurse (CCTN) Certification as meeting C.E. criteria for relicensure and that the American Board for Transplant Certification be added to the list of “Certifying Bodies as Meeting Criteria for CE’s for Relicensure.”

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Request to Accept the Advanced Oncology CNS and NP Certifications For APRN Licensure A request was received to accept the Certifications of both the Advanced Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist (AOCNS) and the Advanced Oncology Nurse Practitioner (AOCNP) for licensure in Louisiana as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse. The Board currently recognizes the AOCN Certification Examination for licensure but the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation will now administer two separate exams for AOCNS and AOCNP.

Motion by T. Ashby, seconded, that the Committee accept the Advanced Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist (AOCNS) and the Advanced Oncology Nurse Practitioner (AOCNP) certifications for licensure in Louisiana an APRN.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Request to Accept Family Psychiatric and Mental Health NP Certification for licensure as a Family Psychiatric and Mental Health NP The American Nurses Credentialing Center has established a new certification exam for Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner which meets the requirements for licensure as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse. The previous exam for Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner has been split into two separate exams: Adult Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner and Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

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Motion by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee accept the American Nurses Credentialing Center Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certification as meeting requirements for APRN licensure as a Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. Further, that the ANCC Certifications of Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner and Adult Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner be added to the list of “Advanced National Certifying Organizations”.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes, Olds – yes; Motion carried.

Motion by D. Olds, seconded, that the Committee go into Executive Session.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session The Committee went into Executive Session at 1:50 p.m.

Request for Exception The request for exception to 2:1 APRN /physician collaboration was rescinded by the applicant.

Request for Exception The Committee reviewed a request for exception to the 500 hours of clinical practice within 6 months prior to the application for prescriptive authority.

The Committee came out of Executive Session

Motion by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee approve the request by Ann Gray, FNP, for exception of 500 hours of clinical practice completed within 6 months prior to application for prescriptive authority. The petitioner may complete the 500 hours within one year.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

The Committee went back into Executive Session

Request for Exception The Committee reviewed a request for exception to the 500 hours of clinical practice within 6 months prior to the application for prescriptive authority.

The Committee came out of Executive Session

Motion by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the Committee approve the request by Patricia Lane, FNP, for exception of 500 hours of clinical practice completed within 6 months prior to application for prescriptive authority. The petitioner may complete the 500 hours within one year.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

The Committee went back into Executive Session

**Request for
Licensure Status
Change**

The Committee reviewed a request for change of licensure status from licensure by Endorsement to licensure by Examination.

The Committee came out of Executive Session

Motion

by T. Ashby, seconded, that based on LAC 46:XLVII.3327. "Licensure by Endorsement" and on the previous practices of the Board, the request for change of licensure status from licensure by endorsement to licensure by examination by Karen Estela is denied.

Vote

Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

The Committee went back into Executive Session

**Request for APRN
Licensure as a CNS
in Child and
Adolescent
Psychiatric and
Mental Health
Nursing**

The Committee reviewed a request for APRN licensure as a CNS in Child and Adolescent Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing

The Committee came out of Executive Session

Motion

by P. McClanahan, seconded, that if staff can get verification from Northwestern that the appropriate education for this certification was included in her master's program, then staff can proceed to license Nancy Ortego as a CNS in Child and Adolescent Psychiatric and Mental Health. Further, if staff cannot confirm the appropriate education, Ms. Ortego may come before the next Credentialing Committee in January 2005 to present further documentation.

Vote

Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

The Committee went back into Executive Session

**Request for APRN
Licensure as a CNS
in Psychosocial Nursing**

The Committee reviewed a request for APRN licensure as a CNS in Psychosocial Nursing. Requesting RN was present

The Committee came out of Executive Session

Motion

by P. McClanahan, seconded, that the committee accept the Clinical Nurse Specialist in Adult Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing examination as certification for the Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychosocial Nursing.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

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Motion by P. McClanahan, that the Committee come out of Executive Session.

Vote Ashby – yes, McClanahan – yes; Olds – yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session The Committee came out of Executive Session at 2:35 p.m.

Adjournment The Committee adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Submitted by:

Margaret Griener, Credentialing Manager