

SCOPE OF PRACTICE COMMITTEE

August 29, 2011

Members Present: See Attached List

Guests Present: See Attached List

Call to Order:

Pat Johnson, LPN, co-chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

I. Introductions

Ms. Johnson asked the SOP members and the guests in the audience to introduce themselves.

II. Review and approval of June 13, 2011 minutes.

A motion was made by Peggy Hampton & seconded by Frank Saenz to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

III. Advisory Opinions reviewed/approved/ the June 13, 2011 Board Meeting

A. Medical Esthetic Procedures Performed by Licensed Nurses.

IV. Review of current advisory opinions

A. Pre Hospital Nursing -

Jason Lin presented the suggested changes to this advisory opinion. Because there are no “approved” training programs offered for pre-hospital nursing that we are aware of, the word “approved” was deleted. An outline of minimum materials to include in training programs is outlined in Section II. Section I.D. (re: nurses who may be doing pre hospital nursing on a volunteer basis) was deleted. Nurses, regardless of their employment status must maintain the general requirements to function in this role. “Current” certification was added as a general requirement vs. stating the nurse should complete/maintain training. In addition to strongly recommending certification as a Certified Transport RN (CTRN) another certification, Certified Flight RN (CFRN) was given as an option. Clarification was added to the rationale to assure all nurses knew they were required to work under medical direction. References were updated.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: A motion was made by Karla Baning & seconded by Tom Kraus to take to the September Board meeting. Motion carried. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

B. Analgesia: By Catheter Technique, Epidural, Intrathecal, Perineural, Subcutaneous –

Nadine Lenzion & Peggy Hampton presented the revisions suggested for this advisory opinion including deletion of the entire statement of ARS §32-1661, a grid was added to more clearly define the tasks that are permitted for an OB patient & the non OB patient, and a statement was added regarding an RN’s right/responsibility to refuse to administer medication if they feel it would place the patient at risk. Clarification was also made to the course of instruction & to the rationale, based on the Oklahoma State Board of Nursing Advisory Opinion regarding this subject. References were updated.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: A motion was made by Frank Saenz & seconded by Dr. Robin Kirschner to take to the September Board meeting. Motion carried. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

C. Intravenous Infusion Therapy/Venipuncture: The Role of the Licensed Practical Nurse –

This advisory opinion was not due for a review this year but because the SOP Committee voted to recommend that it was not within the LPN scope of practice to use ultrasound to start peripheral IV's, it was reviewed to include that information. In addition, Diane Dietz, RN Refresher Program Coordinator had requested clarification to the advisory opinion by moving the current I.C to section II. The “regulation of rates for medicated IV fluids” was felt to be appropriate for LPN's who had completed an instructional program on IV therapy & medication skills vs. under basic competencies for all LPN's, under skills that are not considered within the SOP for an LPN “use of ultrasound to gain peripheral access” was added. This was based on a lengthy discussion – see Agenda item V.C – Ultrasound for starting IV's – The Role of the LPN. The Committee voted unanimously to approve both changes.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: Take to the September Board meeting. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

D. Electrophysiology Related to Procedures Performed by RN's –

Nadine Lenzion reviewed the suggested changes for this advisory opinion including use of the concept of “extra pair of helping hands” which Nebraska Board of Nursing has utilized in some of their advisory opinions, current certification in ACLS, recommendation that the RN seeks certification such as International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE), if working in this role, & deleted the specific number of ablation procedures for instructional purposes.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: Motion by Robin Kirschner & seconded by Carolyn Lohmann to take to the September Board meeting. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

E. External Jugular Cannulation for Peripheral IV (EJPIV) and/or Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter (EJPICC) –

Judy Irvin noted that North Carolina & Nevada have similar advisory opinions on this procedure. Since we received 384 web inquiries on this advisory opinion, it was felt that it was still a needed advisory opinion. The question was asked if anyone was aware of complications resulting from RN's doing this procedure. None were noted. Emphasis was added to the course of instruction to include “selection criteria”, contraindications & risk management, as well as the need to maintain competency.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: A motion was made by Theresa Frimel, seconded by Rolland Arnold to take to the September Board meeting. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

F. Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter (PICC) Insertion, Suturing, Maintenance, Removal & Radiographic Verification of Tip Placement –

Volunteers were needed to review this advisory opinion. Dr. Robin Kirschner, Peggy Hampton, Theresa Frimel, & Karla Baning have agreed to review this advisory opinion for the December 5th SOP meeting.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For: Present recommendations at December 5th meeting. Responsible person – Dr. Robin Kirschner.

V. New Topics of Discussion

A. Peg Insertion: The Expanded Role of the RN –

Keata Bhakta introduced Deb Copeland, RN Periop Educator at Banner. Copeland stated that management had requested she develop a training program to support the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses & Associates (SGNA) position statement. Copeland wanted

clarification if this would be considered within the role of an RN. After discussion, the committee felt that an advisory opinion is needed and questioned if it could be combined with the advisory opinion entitled “Manipulation of Endoscopes by RN’s”. SOP members reviewed the SGNA position statement and voiced concern about some the competencies that are included for RN’s.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For – Volunteers Keata Bhakta, Carolyn Lohmann, Denise Miller, Christina Trifanoff, and Crystal Bennett have agreed to work on this subject and present to SOP in the March 2012 meeting.

- B. Diabetic Foot Care** – Marlene Eriacho & Carolyn Lohmann led the discussion regarding the need for an advisory opinion on foot care. Lohmann spoke to the need for education in the rural areas where podiatrists are not readily available. Discussion centered on levels: basic foot care, intermediate & advanced foot care. What is the role of the LPN, CNA? The SOP committee felt there was a need for the advisory opinion and asked the sub committee to revise and incorporate the items discussed into a 2nd draft.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For – Carolyn Lohmann, Marlene Eriacho, & Christina Trifanoff to return to December 5th, 2011 SOP meeting with 2nd draft for consideration.

- C. APA Format** – Dr. Robin Kirschner presented a helpful guide as to how to correctly use APA format for references in advisory opinion. Guide was very much appreciated by all members!

- D. Ultrasound for starting IV’s – Role of LPN** – Guest Peggy Archuleta requested time to present her view of support for the use of the ultrasound by LPN’s to start peripheral IV’s. Archuleta supervises LPN’s who use the ultrasound and expressed that they have been successful in using ultrasound to accomplish a task that is within their scope of practice. Multiple members of the SOP committee spoke against the LPN’s use of ultrasound citing need for RN assessment for difficult IV starts, the statement by the Association for Vascular Access support use of ultrasound by RN’s, questioning why RN would delegate IV start to an LPN if it were a very difficult stick, etc. A vote was called for and carried the position that LPN’s should not use ultrasound for IV starts.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For – Modify the “intravenous Infusion Therapy/Venipuncture: The Role of the LPN” advisory opinion to reflect that ultrasound use is not within the LPN scope of practice and take to September Board Meeting. Responsible person – Judy Bontrager.

- E. Comparison of RN/LPN Standards Relating to Scope** – Prepared by Pam Randolph & distributed to committee members for information only.

- F. Dictation of History & Physical/Discharge Summary** – A brief discussion ensued and members felt that it is not within the RN scope of practice to perform discharge summary. It would be with the scope of practice for the RN to collect and compile from the patients’ record, progress notes, lab/diagnostic results, and document or dictate the information to be reviewed and validated by the attending MD/DO. It was felt that no further action is needed.

- G. Informed Consent Obtained by RN’s** – A request from Randy McKuscik was received to address this issue. Volunteers are Dr. Robin Kirschner, Peggy Hampton, Judy Irvin, & Jody Coolman.

Recommendation/Action Taken/Responsible For – Present information at December 5th, 2011 SOP meeting. Responsible persons – Dr. Robin Kirschner, Judy Irvin, Peggy Hampton, Jody Coolman.

VI. Other Business -

- A. Article by SOP committee member Karla Baning, entitled **Imagine If...Every Patient Received Evidence Based Stroke Care**. Karla spoke about the success they are seeing with the use of tPA in appropriate patients.
- B. The committee decided to hold the annual “potluck” at our December 5th, 2011 SOP meeting.
- C. Electronic Packet Use – consensus was favorable. Will continue to use. A need was voiced to match page numbers for electronic pages and the paper pages.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Judy Bontrager RN, MN

Draft Minutes submitted to the Board September, 2011

Minutes to be approved by the SOP Committee December 5, 2011

JB/cc

**Scope of Practice Committee Meeting
Arizona State Board of Nursing**

List of Attendees

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amy Haycraft, RN, MS, ANP
Carolyn Lohmann, RN, BSN, CCRN
Christina Trifanoff, RN, MSN
Crystal Bennett, RN, MN, DNSc
Denise Miller, RN, BSN
Francisco Saenz, RN, MSN, MBA, HCM
Jason Lin, RN, CEN, CCRN, CFRN
Jody Coolman, RNC-OB, BSN
Judy Irvin, RN, JD
Karla Baning, RN, ACNP, MSN, CCRN, CNRN
Keata Bhakta, RN, MSN
Lesley Eastman, RN, BSN
Marlene Eriacho, MBA, BSN, RN
Nadine Lenzion, RN, MN, CNRN, COCN
Nancy Baumhover, MSN, RN, CCRN, CNE
Peggy Hampton, RN, BSN
Dr. Robin Kirschner, RN, EdD, CRN, CPAN
Rolland Arnold, RN, MSN
Theresa Frimel, MSN, RN, CNE
Thomas Kraus, RN, BSN

MEMBERS ABSENT:

James Yale III, RN, BSN
Kathy Scott, RN, MPA, PhD, FACHE
Tammi Bymers, RN, MSN

BOARD STAFF ATTENDING:

Judy Bontrager, RN, MN

BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Patricia Johnson, LPN

GUESTS PRESENT:

Cristal Sanchez, UOP
Ivy Lopez, UOP
Cassandra Gamel, UOP
Amanda Anderson, UOP
Nancy P. – Mayo Clinic
Deb Copeland – BDMC/CCMC
Teresa Austin
Carmen Miller, UOP
Deborah Koval, Gateway CC
Sue Sletton, UOP
Amy Fyock, Banner Health