

Advanced Practice Advisory Committee

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Committee Goals

1. Clarify and articulate regulatory sufficiency of the four Advanced Practice roles and recommend changes to the Nurse Practice Act and rules.
2. Develop recommendations for Advisory Opinions related to Advanced Practice Nurse functions.
3. Review national trends in the regulation of Advanced Practice and make recommendations to the Board.
4. Evaluate the APRN Model Compact and make recommendations to the Board its impact on the APRN regulatory process.
5. Collaborate with other Board committees on matters of mutual interest.

Committee Chairs



Randy C. Quinn, RN, MSN, CRNA



Kathryn L. Busby, J.D.

Committee Members

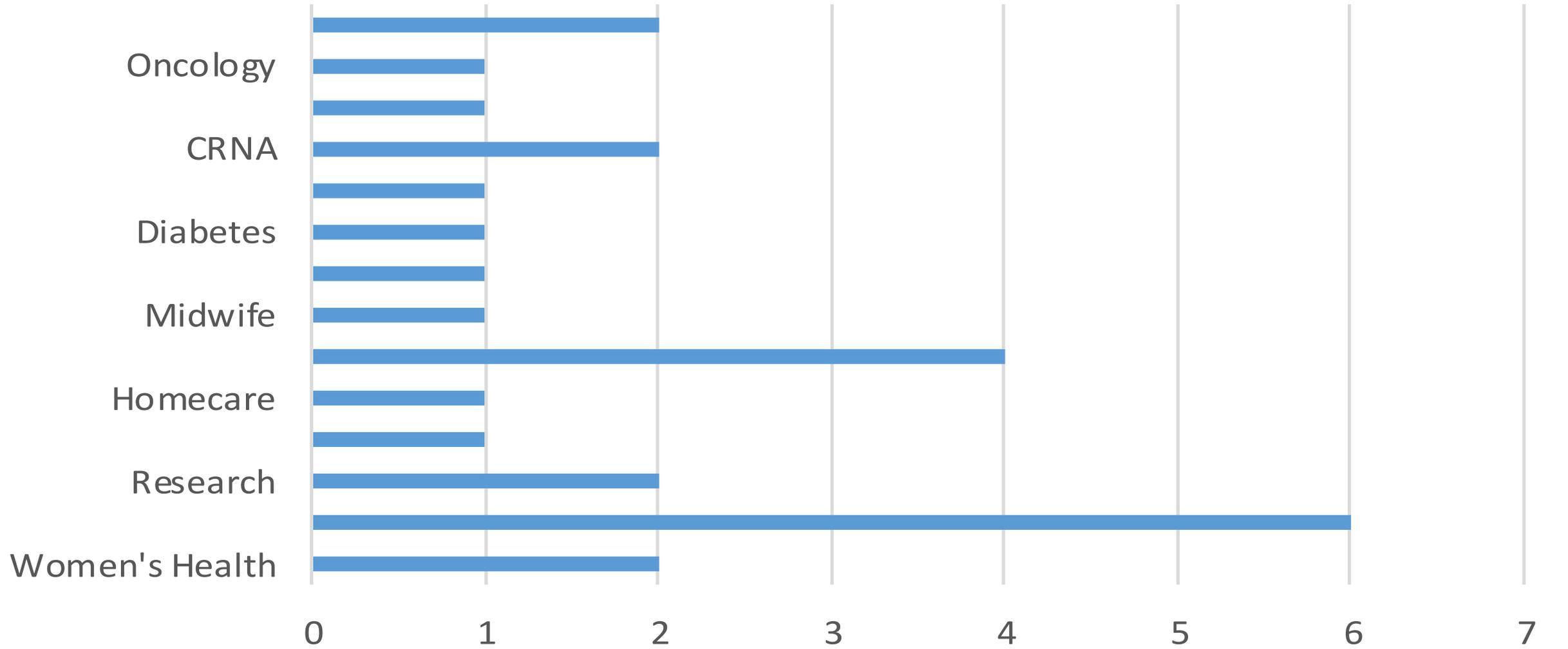
- 19 members + 2 committee Co-Chairs
- The committee has a rich and diverse membership
- Members include nurses from various areas of nursing agencies and health care settings throughout the state
- Each member may serve a maximum of *two* consecutive 2-year terms (The Board will consider exceptions)



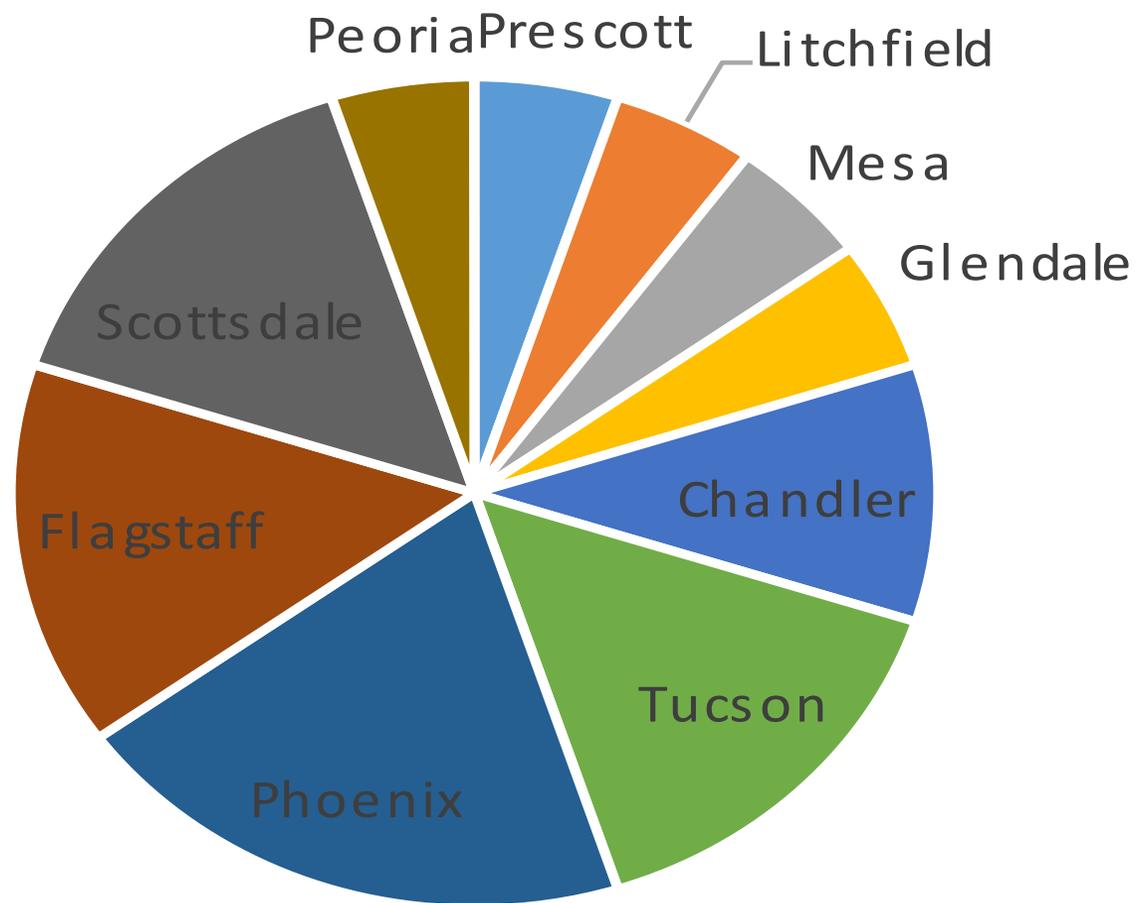
Members

- 3 Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS),
- 2 Women's Health Nurse Practitioner (WHNP/CNM),
- 3 Acute Care Nurse Practitioners (ACNP),
- 5 Family Nurse Practitioners (FNP),
- 2 Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP),
- 4 Adult Nurse Practitioners (ANP),
- 1 Certified Nurse Midwife (CNP),
- 1 Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (NNP),
- 2 Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA),
- 1 Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (PNP)

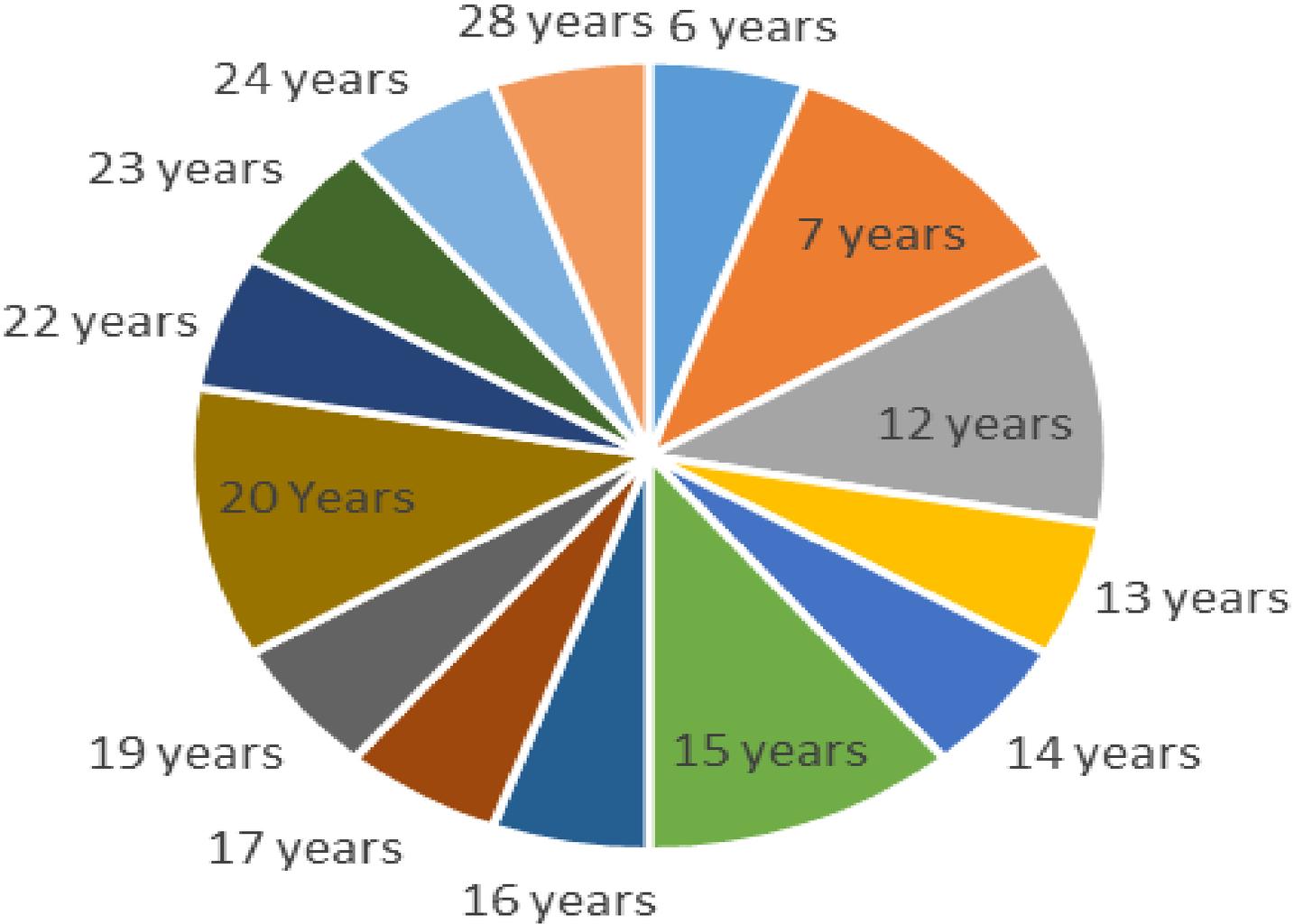
Specialty Area



Geographical Location



Experience



Advisory Committee Policies & Responsibilities

- Meet at least three times a year or more often if necessary
- The central focus of all recommendations will be protection of the public
- The APRN Advisory Committee is advisory in nature and recommendations will represent the committee's majority opinion
- Committee members and Board Members



Advisory Committee Policies & Responsibilities

- Prepare and maintain minutes of meetings
- Draft minutes will be sent to Board Members at the next Board Meeting to ensure the discussion points or recommendations are communicated timely
- Committees will comply with the open meeting laws



Open Meeting Law

§38-431

"Advisory committee" or "subcommittee" means any entity, however designated, that is officially established, on motion and order of a public body or by the presiding officer of the public body, and whose members have been appointed for the specific purpose of making a recommendation concerning a decision to be made or considered or a course of conduct to be taken or considered by the public body.

Open Meeting Law

38-431.01. Meetings shall be open to the public

B. All public bodies shall provide for the taking of written minutes

- 4. The minutes shall also include the names of the persons, as given, making statements or presenting material to the public body and a reference to the legal action about which they made statements or presented material.

38-431.02. Notice of meetings

C. meetings shall not be held without at least twenty-four hours' notice to the members of the public body and to the general public.

H. Agendas required under this section shall list the specific matters to be discussed, considered or decided at the meeting. The public body may discuss, consider or make decisions only on matters listed on the agenda and other matters related thereto.



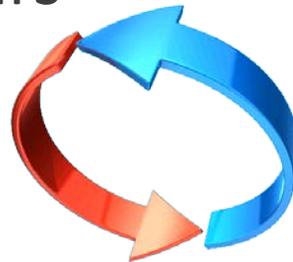
Committee Member Responsibilities

- Regular attendance
- *Active* participation in the committee's deliberations/work
- Promote awareness of final decisions adopted
- If the committee member is unable to participate in the majority of the meetings or is unable to complete the work on a consistent basis, the Chair will address to resolve the issues



Responsibilities

- The Board retains full discretion to determine whether or not to remove committee members
- The Board may accept, reject, modify or return recommendations back to the committee for further work
- Recommend agenda items as needed
- Self-evaluation every two years



Rules of Engagement

- Everyone is respectful of each other
- Everyone actively participates
- Turn off cell phones
- No email or non-committee related work during meetings
- Meetings start on time



Rules of Engagement

- One person speaks at a time
- No sidebar conversations
- Meet committee deadlines
- Meet committee charges
- Subcommittee members are accountable to the subcommittee lead team member for active participation
- Focus, listen, & ask questions



Making of an Advisory Opinion

- An advisory opinion adopted by AZBN is an interpretation of what the law requires.
 - advisory opinion is not law - it is more than a recommendation
 - official opinion of AZBN regarding the practice of nursing as it relates to the functions of nursing.
- An advisory opinion is **not** expanding scope
- ASSESS: Refer to Scope of Practice Decision Tree



Components of an Advisory Opinion

- TITLE
- SCOPE OF PRACTICE
- GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
- COURSE OF INSTRUCTION
- RATIONALE
- REFERENCES





Components

- **TITLE:** Nursing function or area of focus (avoid reference to a specific product or manufacturer)
- **SCOPE OF PRACTICE:** Defines nursing functions considered safe within the educational parameters
 - *It is within the scope of practice for a advanced practice nurse to... provide, perform, insert, remove, etc.* On occasion, definitions are included to delineate the parameters of the advisory opinion.
- **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:** Outlines the required policies, education, and documentation of competence required
 - May include the different settings – acute care, skilled care, ambulatory
 - Define support if applicable- Orientation or instructional program; documentation of completion on file with the employer; and if an annual renewal is necessary



Components

- **COURSE OF INSTRUCTION:** – Identify any education/certification that may be required. Examples to include but not limited to: anatomy and physiology; equipment (if needed); general indications and contraindications; management of any complications; and nursing care responsibilities.
- **RATIONALE:** – Describes the purpose of the advisory opinion as it relates nursing practice, performance objectives, and/or to the community standard of care.
- **REFERENCES:** – May include advisory opinions from other state boards of nursing, books, professional journals, position statements from pertinent associations, recommendation of subject matter expert, ARS 32-1606AZ, etc.

Questions?

