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ADVANCED PRACTICE COMMITTEE MINUTES November 14, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Denise G. Link, DNSc, WHCNP Chair
Susan K. Bohnenkamp, RN MS CCM APRN-BC
Janice L. Bovee, CNM
Jennifer Brodie, MS, CPNP
Martha Carey-Lee, MS, FNP-C
Nancy Denke, MSN, FNP
Carol E. Feingold, MS APRN PMHNP BC
Elizabeth Gilbert, RNC, MS, FNP
Julia Griffin, RN MS AOCNS
Carol Harrigan, MSN, NP
Jacqueline A. Keuth, RN MS CCNS CCRN
Anita Martinez, RN MS CNM
Marianne McCarthy, PhD, RN
James Mitchell, MS, MBA, Psych/MHNP
Rodney Moffett, CRNA MS
Claretta Munger, BSN, MSN, CPNP
Agnes Oblas, MSN, ANP

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Judy Hileman, Psych/MHNP, MS, FNP
Sally Reel, PhD, FNP

GUESTS:

Jennifer Jacobson
Janet Fashoro, Student
Angie Golden
Michelle Jones, Student
Debbi Kirkpatrick, Student
Gladys Loyola
Denise McDonald, Student
Allison Solar, Student
Patricia Ann Spree
Virginia Starr, Student

BOARD STAFF ATTENDING:

Janeen Dahn, Advanced Practice Consultant
Karen Grady, Advanced Practice Consultant
Karen Gilliland, Board Staff

1. GREETING

The Advanced Practice Committee was called to order by Denise Link at 9:42 a.m. Returning members introduced themselves, and Link welcomed new members to the committee.

2. ORIENTATION

Grady addressed the committee stating that the advanced reading packet contained the Advanced Practice Committee General Information for New and Returning Members. This document outlines information on meeting expectations and open meeting law. Link

advised members to acquaint themselves with this information, and noted that the committee meetings fall under open meeting law; follow Robert's Rules of Order; and are recorded, noting that members must speak into microphones, and that all comments are on the record. Link further stated that committee members and the public are entitled to a transcript of the proceedings. Grady clarified that once the meeting is in minute format the audio is then destroyed.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gilbert moved and Carey-Lee seconded to approve the May 6, 2008 meeting minutes without correction. Motion carried unanimously.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consensus Model for APRN Regulation/Proposed APRN Model Act/Rules

Link stated that there is a summary of comments from the Education Committee prepared by Karen Grady and Pamela Randolph. Grady noted that the comments do not pertain to the July 7, 2008 version, but to the earlier version. Grady stated that the comments were submitted to National Council, but wanted to give the AP committee the opportunity to provide additional comments and feedback. Grady gave an overview of history of the consensus model and explained that as a model it would not impact the current practice act in Arizona unless there were statutory changes.

Consensus Model for APRN Regulation

Grady asked committee members if they were in agreement with the list of areas of concern brought forward on the June 24, 2008 feedback document from the Education Committee and whether there were any additional concerns that were not covered.

Moffet stated that there are discrepancies on what is proposed in comparison with what CRNA programs may provide, i.e. in some CRNA programs there is no separate course in physical assessment as it is integrated throughout the didactic program. Moffet also stated that the anesthesia national association has given feedback on this model.

Members noted that geriatric specialty is still merged in with adult, and a member expressed concern that ACNM is certifying non-nurse professionals. Board staff commented that non-nurses are not subject to regulation under the consensus model.

Proposed APRN Model Act/Rules

Committee members concurred with the feedback provided by the Education Committee and made the following additional recommendations:

- Under Section 5 Prescribing and Ordering Authority and 19.5.1. Requirements for prescribing and ordering authority: recommend adding "manage and select" where it currently states only "prescribe, procure,

administer, and dispense”; and add “according to applicable state and federal laws” under Section 5.

- Under Section 1 Practice of APRN: recommend 2nd paragraph revise to read “APRN’s may serve as primary and/or specialty care providers of record”
- Under 19.2.1 Competence Development 3rd paragraph revise to read “...a minimum of 500 clinical hours completed and/or number of cases completed” (for CRNAs)

It was the consensus of the committee that the recommendations/feedback be provided to National Council.

B. Review/Update Advisory Opinions

i. Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psych/MH

Grady addressed the committee stating that the advisory opinion was crafted in the mid-90s or earlier, and is in need of updating. Grady asked that the committee consider whether or not the advisory opinion should be kept active, noting that what is outlined in the advisory opinion is covered in rule.

Members discussed third party reimbursement and the original impetus for issuing an advisory opinion. Members recommended retiring the advisory opinion in light of current statutes and rules for certification of CNS.

Motion: To retire this particular advisory opinion.

Moved: Ms. Elizabeth Gilbert

Seconded: Ms. Jacqueline Keuth

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

ii. Neonatal Circumcision

Grady asked that the committee consider whether or not the advisory opinion should be kept active, noting that what is outlined in the advisory opinion is covered in rule.

Members discussed whether the procedure is within the scope of practice for a nurse practitioner; whether nurse practitioners have the educational background to perform this procedure. Members also noted that according to decision tree, if a nurse is trained then it is within scope.

Motion: Retire this advisory opinion.

Moved: Ms. Carol Harrigan

Seconded: Ms. Carol Feingold

Discussion: Establishment of advisory opinions.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

iii. Nurse Practitioner Description of Role and Functions

Grady addressed the committee stating that changes were made to this advisory opinion to reflect changes made in R4-19-508. Numbering and references were also updated.

Members discussed the history of the advisory opinion. Members also discussed changing the rule as it unduly emphasizes the physician's role in nurse practitioner practice. Grady stated that in statute A.R.S.1606.B.12, it currently states that a nurse practitioner's practice is in collaboration with a physician, and that a statutory change may be sought in the future. In anticipation, it was delineated in rule that nurse practitioners collaborate not only with physicians but with other healthcare providers.

Members requested deleting "physician and" from the first page.

Motion : Accept advisory opinion as amended with the further amendment as just discussed.

Moved: Ms. Elizabeth Gilbert

Seconded: Ms. Janice Bovee

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

iv. Controlled Substances-Use in Treatment of Chronic Pain

Grady provided feedback from Lonna Gutierrez in the advanced reading material. Gutierrez' recommendations were incorporated in the draft document provided committee members.

A member expressed concern that the guidelines require that the evaluation should include a urine drug-screen to test for legally prescribed narcotics and illegal street drugs, finding the language too broad and possibly subject to legal ramifications. Members discussed circumstances and intent for drug testing, and also discussed legal implications and responsibilities of practitioners. Board staff commented that it is a guideline.

Link asked that the use of the term 'medical' be changed to reflect the following: "management of pain"; "therapeutic procedures"; "health history and health records". Grady will review the document to make the appropriate changes.

Motion: Accept the advisory opinion for the use of controlled substances as amended.

Moved: Ms. Carol Feingold

Seconded: Mr. James Mitchell

Discussion: None.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

Grady informed the committee that in response to the new DEA laws regarding sequential prescribing of C2s, the Pharmacy Board modified the uniform substance act to allow sequential prescribing of a C2 prescription up to 90 days.

C. Proposed Statutory Changes to Title 36

Guests Present: Jennifer Jacobson, Gladys Loyola

Jacobson and Loyola addressed the committee with regard to proposed statutory changes to Title 36. Jacobson stated that their goal is to update the language in the title 36 statutes that would allow PsychMHNPs to participate in the evaluation, treatment and management of court ordered individuals. There are two documents being reviewed to submit during this legislative session. Proposed changes include definitions and revision of language in other areas. There was an attempt to have the changes added to SB1100 ; however, there was not enough time and the proposed changes were not able to be added. Grady stated the committee reviewed only the document pertaining to changes to definitions.

At this time Jacobson and Loyola are specifically looking at Article 4 – Court Ordered Evaluation; Article 5 Court Ordered Treatment; Article 7 – Judicial Review; Article 9 – Hospitalization in a Federal Facility. The objective is to improve patient outcomes by giving psychiatric and mental health nurse practitioners privileges in the evaluation and treatment of patients petitioned for court ordered evaluations; and also management of the court ordered patient in the outpatient clinics.

Members discussed laws supporting actual practice, the potential of bringing unwanted attention from the medical community or resulting in the restriction of practice in Maricopa County and Flagstaff. Link expressed concern with framing, noting that a physician shortage should not be reason for including nurse practitioners.

Link offered that she will bring the matter to Rory Hays’ attention, and that the Advanced Practice Committee while unable to address each specific recommendation, can say it supports in concept the proposed statutory changes.

Motion: Support the changes to title 36 definitions and statutes to include Psych Mental Health Nurse Practitioners as discussed.

Moved: Ms. Carol Feingold
Seconded: Ms. Janice Bovee
Discussion: Number 12, retaining the original language because number 8 would cover that; would strike.
Amended Motion: To change item 12 back to the original language of “no less than the following”.
Moved: Ms. Carol Feingold
Seconded: Ms. Janice Bovee
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion carried unanimously

5. ITEMS FOR AGENDA FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Rules
Elective courses being offered at NAU - Primary Care of the Hospitalized Patient

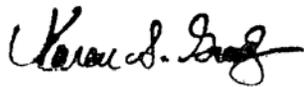
6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Students from University of Phoenix and Grand Canyon University addressed the committee stating that they appreciated the discussion regarding specialty areas; found the meeting to be a good learning experience; noted the frustration for RNs looking for answers and appreciate the documents available on the AZBN website.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Moffett moved and Mitchell seconded to adjourn at 12:41 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:



Signature

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