



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) Sub-committee
Minutes**

**March 21, 2012 7:00 PM
310 Israel Rd SE, Room 131
Tumwater WA 98501**

Members: Darrell Owens, PhD, ARNP, Chair
Susana Serna, ARNP, FNP
Donna Poole, ARNP, Psych
Laurie Soine, ARNP, PhD
Mariann Williams, ARNP, FNP
Lisa Grayson, ARNP, CRNA
Karen Hays, ARNP, CNM

Staff: Martha Worcester, ARNP, A/GNP, ARNP Consultant

1. **Opening – Susana Serna**
 - a. Call to order & roll call – 7:00 PM
 - b. Public attendees – Louise Kaplan
2. **Minutes 02-15-2012 review** – March meeting minutes approved for May NCQAC meeting
3. **NCQAC 03-09-2012 Updates from the meeting**
 - a. Delegation of Licensing Decisions to APRN Consultant passed at the March ACQAC Meeting. This action will reduce the number of panel meetings needed. Complex licensing decisions may be referred to panels as needed.
4. **Discussion & Action Items – Darrell Owens**
 - a. Legislative Update – 1486 allowing pharmacies to fill out of state ARNP prescriptions was passed and becomes law as of 06-07-2012. No rule writing is necessary.
 - b. Rule writing Moratorium or ARNPs exemption requests now in Karen Jensen's office
 - CNS inclusion within the ARNP designation
 - WAC 246-840-493 (3)(b) Rule change needed as type of credential does not exist and is unenforceable.
 - c. Newsletter articles update and topics
 - April 4th Reminder for first draft and time line for publication
 - d. Concerns to take to APRN Roundtable for Martha and Laurie
 - Education approval for out-of-state APRN programs
 - DEA and State Prescriptive Authority regulation differences across the states
 - CNS inclusion in APRN designation – regulation writing issues to address
 - e. Prescription form for electronic prescription. Two signature lines omitted for designation of generic versus brand name medication. Confusion for pharmacies – be alert for will take time to get form corrected.

5. **AANP Leadership Meeting March 17th Report**– Susana Serna
 - a. Report given by Ms. Serna and Dr. Worcester Public attendee from ARNP United, Louise Kaplan also contributed.
 - b. A written report will be submitted for next meeting. Martha will compose and ask for Susana's input before April meeting of the subcommittee.

6. **ARNP Consultant Updates** – Martha Worcester
 - a. Interpretive Statements process and filing is being improved so statements are more easily located by ARNPs from the web
 - b. Nursing Program Approval Program (NPAP) is now taking a more active role in approval of in-state and out-of-state ARNP program than in the past as allowed under current laws and rules.
 - c. Resources Development is in progress for easy access to documents related to Advance Practice Specialty Practice including(1) a library of on-line resources National Certification requirements, Scope of Practice statement, professional organizations, finding Evidenced Based best practices and (2) recruitment and list maintaining of ARNP expert witnesses that will be available as needed for panels and hearings.
 - d. ARNP Agenda Creating Process – Martha will provide a written process for developing the agenda each month with deadlines for submitting items.
 - e. Announcement of Newly appointed Pro-Tems
 - Nancy Armstrong, ARNP will with ARNP Consultant on Inquiries & Frequently Asked Questions and attend ARNP Subcommittee meetings
 - Karen Hays, CNM to represent Certified Nurse Midwives on the ARNP Subcommittees and panels
 - Lisa Grayson, CRNA to represent Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists on the ARNP Subcommittees and panels
 - Georgia Pierce RN Assigned to NPAP (Nursing Program Approval Panel.

7. **Open Microphone** – No time was available for open microphone.

8. **Next Meeting:**
 - a. April 18th, 2012

9. **Adjournment to Executive Session at 7:30PM** The Executive Session was announced
The Executive Session began at 7:30 PM and adjourned at 8:15 PM.