



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)  
Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) Sub-committee  
April 17, 2013 7:00 PM  
111 Israel Rd. SE, Town Center 2, Room 158  
Tumwater WA 98501**

**Members Present:** Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC, Chair  
Nancy Armstrong, MSN, ARNP, ANP  
Todd Herzog, BSNA, ARNP,  
Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP CRNA,  
Mariann Williams, FNP ARNP

**Staff Present:** Martha Worcester, Ph.D., ARNP, A/GNP, ARNP Practice Advisor  
Louise Lloyd, Administrative Assistant

**Excused:** Karen Hays, DNP, CNM, ARNP Excused

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1. **Opening:** Ms. Poole, chair, opened the meeting with the reading of the public disclosure statement
2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed and recommended for approval to the NCQAC meeting
  - a. Sanction Guidelines for ARNPs were adopted by NCQAC at the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and are available for use as of March 8, 2013.
3. **Pain Management Interpretive Statements:**
  - a. The Continuing Education (CE) Requirements for Exemption from Consultation with a Pain Management Specialist were reviewed. The statement was recommended for approval to NCQAC with edits to be submitted by Mariann Williams.
  - b. Pain Management Specialist: Interpretive Statement. It was decided that the courses that were suggested for pain management specialist in the current draft of the statement were not sufficient to require WAC 246-840-section (3) (b) to be required for pain management specialist. Mr. Herzog, Mariann Williams and Ms. Worcester will work on the statement and circulate changes with the ARNP Subcommittee and the revised draft recommended to NCQAC if a majority of the ARNP member agrees with the changes.

4. **APRN Roundtable Report:** Ms. Poole and Ms. Worcester gave a verbal report on the APRN Roundtable held in Chicago. A written report will be included in the NCQAC packet and provided to the APRN Subcommittee at the next meeting.
5. **Legislative Updates –** Ms. Poole announced that HS 1518 passed and is now on the Governor's desk for signature. This bill allows the Nursing Commission to continue with its current degree of autonomy that was granted in the pilot project.
6. **Expert Resources Discussion:** Ms. Worcester will bring a list of criteria for expert ARNPs to be considered at the next meeting. ARNP SC members were asked to consider names of persons that might serve in a role of expert resources for ARNP decision making and information.
7. **ARNP Practice Advisor Report**
  - a. There is now a menu on the left of the Nursing Commission home page for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner for easier access to ARNP specific information. ARNP SC members were asked to review it and comment as further improvements are planned over the summer.
  - b. A survey will be on the Nursing Commission Web site from April 29<sup>th</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup>. The DNP Student, Sheena Jacob will be analyzing the data. Postcards will be sent out to all ARNPs and organizations will be notified to enhance the response rate.
  - c. Strategic Planning Goals Summary 2013-2015 –were discussed and will be submitted to NCQAC for discussion for the May 9<sup>th</sup> Nursing Commission Strategic Planning day
8. **May 9 & 10, 2013 NCQAC meeting agenda & packet items:**
  - a. Strategic Plans for May 9<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Pain Management Interpretive Statements recommendations
  - c. Consent Agenda – Minutes 3-20 and 4-17 meeting, APRN Roundtable Report.
9. **Next ARNP SC Meeting – May 15th**
  - a. Face to Face Strategic Planning Meeting Date and Location
  - b. Criteria for ARNP Experts
10. **Open microphone –** Public members attending included Robin Fleming from Washington State Nurse Association and Leslie Emerick representing the Association of Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurses (AAPPN). Robin expressed interest in returning to the GoToMeeting format to prevent having to being present at the meeting to attend. Leslie reviewed legislation concerns of APPN.
11. **Adjourned:** 8:20 PM