



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Licensing and Disciplinary Subcommittee
Special Meeting
July 29, 2013
Telephone Conference Call
4:00PM**

Sub-Committee Members: Margaret Kelly, Chair; Cass Tang (excused); Lois Hoell (excused)

DOH Staff /Guest: Mary Dale, Teresa Corrado, Miranda Bayne, Catherine Woodard, Margaret Holm

Call to order Digital recording announcement

Roll call

1. June Minutes - Margaret

The minutes from the 6/24/13 meeting were approved to go to the September NCQAC meeting.

2. Practice on an Expired License –Margaret

DISCUSSION: The information from the July NCQAC meeting was reviewed. Mary drafted a revision to the RN/PN Sanction Standards to allow several levels of potential resolution to practice on an expired license. There was discussion whether the refresher course may be waived. WAC 246-840-130(3)(d) and (h) address waiving the clinical portion of the course.

In reviewing the sanctions, staff found several concerns in the ARNP sanction standards. These will be brought to the attention of the ARNP subcommittee, along with a suggestion to mirror the RN/PN sanctions.

DECISION: Mary will write a motion for the September NCQAC meeting to adopt the draft revision of the sanction standard, and include the draft sanction in the meeting packet. Mary will contact Laurie Soine regarding the ARNP sanctions.

3. Reporting Disciplinary Action to a Certifying Body – Margaret

DISCUSSION: The subcommittee was asked to look at the issue of sharing disciplinary information with certifying bodies. It was also suggested that we require the nurse to report to them in the STID or order. The National Council has “E-Notify” which can be used by the certifying body to get this information. It is also on Provider Credential Search. The large number of certifying bodies would make this task very costly. If the requirement was included in a STID or order, it will take additional resources to determine if the requirement was met.

DECISION: The subcommittee declined to take on this issue, because it is not within the commission’s responsibility or jurisdiction. Additionally, we have a new Strategic Plan that does not include this objective.

4. WHPS Audit - Mary

DISCUSSION: The subcommittee reviewed issues from the audit. Several issues have been resolved, but others are still a concern.

- WHPS decision-making process following compliance issue
- Reports from WHPS to NCQAC
- Annual performance audit of WHPS
- Procedure for reporting meeting with NCQAC
- WHPS standard contract
- Return to work date

DECISION: Mary will take several questions forward, and add this to the August subcommittee agenda.

5. Nurse Consultant Update – Margaret Holm

DISCUSSION: Margaret presented her monthly report. She clarified responsibilities for the newsletter article with Margaret Kelly.

DECISION: Margaret Holm with talk with two candidates for the newsletter article; then Margaret Kelly will interview one. Margaret Holm will write the final article.

6. Investigation Update – Catherine

Catherine presented her monthly report and statistics.

7. Licensing Update - Teresa

Teresa is updating the format of her monthly report, as she has a new supervisor. She will provide a report in the new format next month.

8. Work Plan - Margaret

Review and update the work plan.

The Regulatory Action Pathway is complete and will be removed from the list.

The sexual misconduct rules are no longer on hold. Mary will have an update for the August meeting.

The endorsement rule has been on hold, and is not in the top priorities. This will be addressed again at the December meeting.

The international rule has been on hold. The CR101 was filed, but will be withdrawn. This rule will be revised along with the education rules. This will be removed from the Work Plan.

A due date of the October subcommittee meeting will be added to the NCI outreach for workplace diversity.

Adjournment