



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Minutes
September 17, 2014 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Town Center 2, Room 158
111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501**

- Committee Members:** Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP, Chair
Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC
Nancy Armstrong, ARNP
Todd Herzog, CRNA, ARNP
- Excused:** Sheena Jacob, DNP, MSN, MPH
- Guests:** Heather Schoonover, President of Washington Affiliate of
National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS)
Louise Kaplan, ARNP United, Board of Directors
Margaret Holm, JD, RN Nurse Consultant for Nursing
Commission Unit
- Public Attendees:** Teri Woo, ARNP, Associated Dean, Pacific Lutheran University
- Staff:** Martha Worcester, PhD, ARNP-NP, ANP, GNP-BC,
Advanced Practice Advisor
- Excused:** Jean Wheat, Nursing Practice Administrative Assistant

I. 7:00 PM Call to Order - Laurie Soine, Chair

- The public disclosure statement was read.
- Introduction of Guests. Louise Kaplan and Heather Schoonover attended as invited guest to speak to their respective groups views on the clinical nurse specialist inclusion in the Advanced Practice rules. Margaret Holm attended to assist with policy development for Advanced Practice Experts.
- Announcements – The Advanced Practice in Primary and Acute Care Conference is being held at the Seattle Convention Center Oct 9-11th. Two panel discussions relevant to the Nursing Commission; “When Does a Mistake Rise to the Level of an Action Against Your License”, and “Should CNSs be ARNPs? Should ARNPs be APRNs?”
- Minutes of the August 20th, 2014, Advanced Practice Subcommittee was recommended to the Nursing Commission for approval as submitted.

II. Clinical Nurse Specialist Inclusion Update – All

- The revisions and a new section for clinical nurse specialist inclusion in the rules were reviewed as a work in progress. ARNP United and the Washington Affiliate of NACNS groups had discussed the best language and principles for RNs in Washington currently practicing as clinical nurse specialist in the states. Consensus was reached on what applicants would be required to do if they did not have sufficient direct clinical practice hours or national certification. Martha Worcester is working with staff to prepare the CR102 Hearing and keep the subcommittee up to date.
 - Key points of agreement were:
 - 250 hours of direct supervision of clinical practice be required for every two years the applicant had not practiced with a maximum of 1000 hours.
 - The supervised practice must occur within 2 years of the implementation date.
 - A temporary ARNP license to be issued during the supervised practice time to expire within two years of issuance.
 - Similar language to that in 246-840-365 would make language consistent with other ARNP requirements.
 - Other agreements had been reached during prior discussion.
 - Laurie congratulated and thanked Louise, Heather, Martha and the subcommittee for their “monumental achievements” in working on the rules.

III. Approval of Advanced Practice Experts Policy – Margaret Holm

- A draft of the policy was discussed. It was decided that changes in the draft would be made and then considered for recommendation at the October 15th subcommittee meeting. All comments should be e-mailed to Margaret Holm and she will prepare an updated draft for the next meeting.

IV. Brief Review of Strategic Planning Goals for 2014-2015 - Martha Worcester and All

- Tabled until October meeting.

V. Agenda Items for October 15, 2014 Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meeting

- Setting Goals for 2014
- Approval of Advanced Practice Expert Policy – needs to be recommended to the November Nursing Commission Meeting.

VI. Adjourned – 8:00 PM