



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)**  
**Advanced Practice Sub-committee Minutes**  
**August 11, 2015 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**Town Center 2, Room 140**  
**111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501**

**Committee Members Present:** Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC  
 Dan Simonson, CRNA, MHPA  
 Heather Schoonover, MN, RN, PHCNS-BC  
**Absent:** Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP, Chair  
**Absent:** Heather Bradford, CNM, ARNP, FACNM  
  
**Staff:** Willie O. Hunt, WHNP-BC, ARNP, MS, Advanced Practice Advisor  
 Jean Wheat, Nurse Practice Administrative Assistant

<b>I.</b>	<b>7:00 PM Opening</b> – Donna Poole, Vice Chair, in place of Laurie Soine
<b>II.</b>	<p><b>Call to Order</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The public disclosure statement was read.</li> <li>• Introductions made.</li> <li>• Announcements –             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Willie Hunt reviewed and discussed the recent article in the Seattle Times on August 9, 2015 titled “As number of insured increases, nurse practitioners play new role”. She provided information on the ARNP role and function in Washington State to Lisa Stiffler, writer for the Seattle Times article.</li> <li>○ Jean Wheat reviewed the current processes for public participation in the meetings. The teleconference number is not available to the public because of limited ports. Only commission members and staff can use the teleconference number at this time requiring the public to attend in person. Beginning in January, the subcommittee will be available via GoToMeeting and the teleconference numbers will no longer be used. This will allow public participation without having to attend in person.</li> <li>○ Jean Wheat recommended to the Sub-committee they think about using GoTo Webinar again. The Sub-committee wants to wait until the September meeting to discuss with Laurie Soine.</li> <li>○ Jean Wheat informed the Sub-committee that after September all documents will be place in the X drive in their personal folders. For those that do not have new laptops, the Nursing Commission will come up with a way to get the documents to them.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>III.</b></p>	<p><b>Health Care Authority Rule Revision Draft: WAC 182-531-A-0800 Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Provider Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Willie Hunt discussed the Health Care Authority’s external review of their Behavior Analysis proposed rulemaking CR-102 in regard to WAC 182-531A-0700 delivery of applied behavior analysis services and provider requirements. The Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission provided edits to reflect the independent practice of Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners. The commission has noted that Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners (ARNPs) are independent providers and do not require physician oversight or supervision. Also, Psychiatric, Pediatric and FNPs are involved in the spectrum of Autism Care.</li> </ul> <p>In addition, the Nursing Commission takes issue with the use of the term “Midlevel Practitioner” and its reference “who has been trained by and works under the tutelage of a specialist (MD, PhD, Psychologist.” The HCA declined the changes that NCQAC recommended so the following actions will be taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Meeting with Lin Payton who is the ABA program manager for HCA. She is the lead on this rule and is currently on vacation and due to return August 20, 2015.</li> <li>○ Engage AANP and Louise Kaplan, PhD to address this outdated and limited draft rule.</li> <li>○ Encourage all interested parties to attend the public hearing on September 8, 2015 at 10am at the HCA. The address is Health Care Authority, 626 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501.</li> <li>○ Place this item on the NCQAC Business meeting agenda on September 11, 2015.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dan Simonson made a motion to recommend to the Nursing Commission the section in WAC 182-531-A-0800 to eliminate the term “Mid-Level Provider.” Sub-committee would recommend the language be changed to “Non-Physician Provider.”</li> <li>• Sub-committee is recommending that the language in the rule be updated, as it is out of date. Sub-committee is also requesting to see the Federal rules.</li> <li>• Sub-committee agreed to use any and all available resources to get the language changed to reflect ARNP current scope of practice as outlined in the WACS.</li> </ul>
<p><b>IV.</b></p>	<p><b>2015-2017 Strategic Plan Draft – Advanced Nursing Practice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sub-committee discussed the strategic plan. The objectives of the Nursing Commission are to align ARNP Nursing laws and rules with the NCSBN Consensus Model. The first objective reviewed and discussed was to change the legal designation for all ARNPs to APRNs (Advanced Practice Registered Nurse). A project plan was presented to have 90 day periods in which to move this goal forward with an evaluation and review at the end of each 90 day period to assess progress toward this goal.</li> <li>• The second and more challenging objective is to attain implementation of the APRN Nurse Compact to align with the APRN Consensus Model. This will be done in small steps and involve multiple areas of input and expertise to move forward.</li> <li>• The ARNP Subcommittee supports and approves of the Strategic Plan as outlined.</li> </ul>
<p><b>V.</b></p>	<p><b>Agenda Items for the Next Sub-Committee meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sanction Guidelines</li> <li>• Update on ABA Applied Analysis – and outcome</li> <li>• Update on the September 11, 2015 NCQAC business meeting – Laurie and Donna</li> <li>• Review of CNS Preceptor Evaluation of Core Competencies Draft</li> </ul>
<p><b>VI.</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourned – 7:35 PM</b></p>