



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)  
Consistent Standards of Practice Sub-committee Minutes  
October 6, 2015 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

**Committee Members:** Charlotte Foster, BSN, MHA, RN, **Chair**  
Tracy Rude, LPN  
Laura Yockey, RN, Pro Tem  
Tiffany Randich, LPN  
Helen E. Myrick, Public Member

**Staff:** Deborah Carlson, MSN, RN, Associate Director - Nursing Practice  
Jean Wheat, Nursing Practice Administrative Assistant

**I. 12:00 PM Opening – Charlotte Foster, Chair**

- Call to order and roll call; **Note:** Started at 12:09 p.m. - technical difficulties, this required reconnecting some attendees.
- Introductions.

**II. Nursing Commission Business Meeting Update**

- Deferred until December meeting.

**III. Nursing Scope of Practice for Prevention and Treatment of Opioid-Related Overdoses**

- Advisory Opinion Draft.
- Frequently Asked Questions Draft.
  - After discussion and opportunity for comments, the members agreed to send the Advisory Opinion and Frequently Asked Questions drafts to the Advanced Practice Sub-committee (APSC) in October for their input and comments. This step will delay including this in the Nursing Commission business meeting for November because of packet deadlines. Debbie Carlson informed the Sub-committee members that the Washington State Department of Health has some activities related to ESHB 1671 (Opioid Overdose Legislation) with a communication plan and model protocol in development. The Sub-committee granted permission to add resources if they are finalized prior to commission approval. The drafts will be brought back to the Consistent Standards of Practice Sub-committee if the Advanced Practice Sub-committee recommends significant changes. If there are no significant changes to the documents, the Consistent Standards of Practice Sub-committee recommends including on the January Nursing Commission business meeting agenda.

#### **IV. Closing**

- Announcements:
  - The Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission received the National Council State Boards of Nursing Regulatory Achievement Award in August 2015.
  - The Nursing Commission received approval from the Washington State Nurses Association (WSNA) Continuing Education Approval and Recognition Program as an Educational Activity Provider Unit. This allows the Provider Unit to issue formal continuing nursing education hours through WSNA.
- Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.