



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

Committee Members: Charlotte Foster, BSN, MHA, RN, **Chair**
Tracy Rude, LPN
Helen E. Myrick, Public Member

Absent: Laura Yockey, RN, Pro Tem
Tiffany Randich, LPN

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
- Introduction
- Announcements

II. Nursing Commission Business Meeting (November 13, 2015) Update

- Charlotte Foster reviewed key activities from the November business meeting overview of administrative matters and use of state computers; approval of the Prevention and Treatment of Opioid-Related Overdoses Advisory Opinion and Frequently Asked Questions document. These are in process of being posted on the NCQAC listserv as well as in the next NCQAC newsletter. The commission had a special guest present, Dr. Nancy Darbro, about the update activities on the Substance Abuse Disorder Policies and Procedures.

III. NCQAC Educational Activity Provider Unit

- The NCQAC Commission recently was approved through the Washington State Nurses Association (WSNA) as an Educational Activity Provider Unit. This allows the NCQAC to offer formal continuing nursing education hours for educational activities already being provided. This ensures that the educational activities are of high quality. A draft procedure was presented with recommendations to be included as an agenda item at the January business meeting for consideration. The draft includes language that gives authority to the Educational Activity Provider Unit Workgroup to approve educational activities following WSNA requirements.

IV. Uber Nursing – A New Trend

- Uber Nursing was discussed at a recent National Council State Boards of Nursing Knowledge Network Conference Call that brings nurses and other health care providers to the home on demand. Some view Uber nursing as the wave of the future to bring patient care into the 21st century. Discussion revealed that some nurses are aware of this especially in the area of immunizations. No action at this time.

V. Advisory Opinion Request-Administration of Glucagon in Schools by Unlicensed Assistive Personnel

- An overview of the difference of and the process for developing advisory opinions/interpretive statements was provided and clarification that the subcommittee does not have decision making power but only researches and prepares draft documents for the commission's consideration.
- The commission has received two separate advisory opinion/interpretive statement requests regarding Glucagon administration in schools. These will be included on the agenda for consideration at the January business meeting. The first has to do with whether school nurses can delegate the emergency administration of glucagon for students with diabetes who are unconscious, unresponsive, seizing, or who are experiencing severe hypoglycemia, and are unable to safely swallow. The second has to do with whether with the new law that allows for delegation to administer nasal spray in schools as to whether a powdered intranasal medication is considered a "nasal spray". A powdered intranasal glucagon is in clinical trials. A recommendation was made to request the commission to develop one advisory opinion to answer both questions. A public member, Dr. Charles Fournier, had many comments, questions, and concerns specific to students with diabetes in schools and the issue of and also related to the exceptions in the 4.0 School Delegation Advisory Opinion. He states he plans to follow-up with his concerns in writing.

VI. Closing

- The next subcommittee meeting will be held using GoToMeeting on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.