



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Practice Sub-committee Minutes
February 17, 2016 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501**

Committee Members Present: Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP, **Chair**
Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC
Heather Schoonover, MN, RN, PHCNS-BC
Dan Simonson, CRNA, MHPA

Absent: Heather Bradford, CNM, ARNP, FACNM

Staff: Debbie Carlson, MSN, RN, Associate Director – Nursing Practice
Jean Wheat, Nurse Practice Administrative Assistant

I.	7:02 PM Opening – Laurie Soine, Chair
II.	<p>Call to Order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The public disclosure statement was read. • Introductions made. • Announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Debbie Carlson stated the CR-103 request to file with the Code Reviser’s Office the CNS rules has been submitted. • Minutes of the January 20, 2016 Advanced Practice Sub-committee were recommended to the Nursing Commission for approval as submitted.
III.	<p>Pain Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion about WAC 246-840-493 specific to the requirements for ARNP pain management specialists that states one of the criteria options is to have a credential in pain management by a NCQAC approved national professional association, pain association, or other credentialing entity. NCQAC has not approved any credentialing entity to meet this option. Concerns included possible confusion between the various pain management certification options and the ARNP’s national certification/scope of practice. Also concerns with reimbursement issues for pain management through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for ARNPs who are not CRNAs. Debbie Carlson to do more research on the availability of national certification agencies for ARNPs in the specialty of pain management and develop summary for review at the March 16, 2016 Sub-committee meeting. .
IV.	<p>Final Review of FAQs on the New designation of ARNP-CNS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The final draft of FAQs were approved with instructions to send to Gail Yu, AAG, for a final review with recommendations at the NCQAC March 11, 2016 business meeting, as long as there are no substantive changes.

V.	ARNP Licensing Exemption Request <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No requests
VI.	Review resumes for the Expert Witness Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No applications
VII.	Agenda Items for the Next ARNP Sub-Committee meeting on March 16, 2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain Management Review • Update on the NCQAC Business Meeting
VIII.	Open microphone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danielle Anderson – Class assignment and found our meetings to be very interesting. Enjoyed the format. • Elizabeth Evans – ARNP licensed in Oregon wishes to relocate to Washington State. She has many years of experience as an ARNP in Oregon, but does not meet the requirements for the Washington State licensure, because she does not meet the national certification requirements because of the length of time it has been since she received her education. Views licensure in this state challenging. She recommends the commission to address barriers that exclude experienced individuals practicing at the advanced level from getting licensure in our state. Sub-committee members informed her she may appeal the decision and instructed her to contact Debbie Carlson. • Jordan Pai Palimar – Found very interesting the different barriers from State to State. • Louise Kaplan – Spoke to Ms. Evans exemption process • Sherry Karr – Wanted to thank us and she enjoyed the meeting.
IX.	Adjournment – 8:00 PM