



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Practice Sub-committee Minutes
July 20, 2016 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501**

Committee Members Present: Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP, **Chair**
Heather Bradford, CNM, ARNP, FACNM
Heather Schoonover, MN, ARNP, PHCNS-BC

Absent: Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC
Dan Simonson, CRNA, MHPA
Debbie Carlson, MSN, RN, Associate Director – Nursing Practice

Staff: Jean Wheat, Nurse Practice Administrative Assistant

I.	7:05 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: None • No minutes to review, as the June 15, 2016 meeting was cancelled.
III.	<p>Nursing Scope of Practice-Discussion re: Expansion During Disasters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laurie Soine gave some background on this topic. The recent Cascadian Rising Drill brought up an issue about expanding practice during emergencies, disasters, and other unusual circumstances. • There are several documents available for discussion: Adapting Standards of Care Under Extreme Conditions: Guidance for Professionals During Disasters, Pandemics, and Other Extreme Emergencies-American Nurses Association: http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/WorkplaceSafety/Healthy-Work-Environment/DPR/TheLawEthicsofDisasterResponse/AdaptingStandardsofCare.pdf American Nurses Association: Issue Brief – Ethics and the Law and the Nurse’s Duty to Respond in a Disaster: http://nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/WorkplaceSafety/Healthy-Work-Environment/DPR/Disaster-Preparedness.pdf Critical Care Nurse - Disaster Nursing-New Frontiers for Critical Care: http://ccn.aacnjournals.org/content/24/3/16.full Policies Influencing Disaster Nursing-A Hurricane Katrina-A Study for Nurse Educators (Spurlock, A.): http://www.ehcca.com/presentations/emsummit2/2_08.pdf <p>The Advanced Practice Sub-committee agreed to table this until the August 17, 2016 meeting when Debbie Carlson can be present.</p>

IV.	<p>Birth Assistant Sunrise Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laurie Soine gave some background history on this and Kathy Weed explained what the document is and is seeking feedback from CNM's. In June 2015 the House Health Care and Wellness Committee asked the Department of Health to conduct a sunrise review of a proposal to credential birth assistants as a new and distinct profession. The DOH did not support creating a new birth assistant credential. However, there are midwives that are using unlicensed assistive personnel and call them birth assistants. <p>In the sunrise report (2015) one of the recommendations was to address the confusion within the midwifery community about what the scope of practice for a person functioning as an unlicensed birth assistant. HSQA is recommended that an Advisory Opinion be written to address this issue. Midwife Program has requested NCQAC review and provides input on the draft "Guidelines for Licensed Midwives who use Birth Assistants" specifically our CNMs use of birth assistants.</p> <p>As all present had not reviewed the Advisory Opinion it was agreed that we would discuss and provide input at our August 17, 2017 meeting.</p> <p>Given the fact that not all pro tem members have DOH issued computers and thus do not have access to X drives. Until such time as all members have operational computers Jean will email all agendas and associated documents for discussion to the members 2 weeks prior to meeting.</p>
V.	<p>Medical Marijuana Authorizing Guideline Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Louise Kaplan has finished her pro tem term. She has been working on the Medical Marijuana Authorizing Guidelines Group. We will need to identify new pro tem or commission member to replace her – Mike Ellsworth is the lead for this group. Laurie Soine gave an update on the groups' recommendation for creating Continuing Education around Medical Marijuana.
VI.	<p>Review resumes for the Expert Witness Panel - No applications</p>
VII.	<p>Agenda Items for the Next ARNP Sub-Committee meeting on August 17, 2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursing Scope of Practice-Discussion re: Expansion During Disasters Birth Assistant Sunrise Report Requirements for Retired Active ARNP License
VIII.	<p>Open microphone - No comments</p>
IX.	<p>Adjournment – 7:41 PM</p>