

Board of Nursing

November 21, 2000

Regular Open Board Meeting

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Nursing was held on November 21, 2000 in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. Maris A. Lown, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Present were Board Members: Noreen D'Angelo, Elizabeth English, Denise G. Link, Leo-Felix Jurado, Maris A. Lown, Virginia McKenney, Karen Rodriguez.

ALSO PRESENT

Deputy Attorney(s) General: Gus Lembo, Patricia A. Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Nursing, Barbara Byers, Administrative Analyst, Kathryn Schneider, Assistant Executive Director, Massage, Bodywork & Somatic Therapy, Joanne Cole, Intervention Program Coordinator, New Jersey State Board of Nursing.

NOT PRESENT

Board Members: M. Catherine Dulio, Dr. Muriel Shore, Eileen Helbig Toughill, Nelson Tuazon.

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing on January 3, 2000. A schedule of all 2000 Regular Open Board Meetings to be held during 2000 was provided to the Office of the Secretary of State, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, The New York Times, Camden Courier Post, and The Philadelphia Inquirer. The schedule has also been posted on the Bulletin Board at the New Jersey State Board of Nursing Office.

AGENDA

M. Lown requested to amend the agenda to add Nominating Committee under Committee Reports.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY VIRGINIA MCKENNEY AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the Regular Open Meeting of October 17, 2000.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY NOREEN D'ANGELO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2000 WITH A CORRECTION ON PAGE 7 UNDER COMMITTEE REPORTS NUMBER ONE TO READ THE YEAR 2001.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

MARIS A. LOWN - REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

M. Lown reported. Attended the Governor's Advisory Committee meeting and approved the final draft of the Merit Award Application.

M. Lown also attended the New Jersey Hospital Association Teleconference held by the Patient Quality Care Advisory Committee Council. Representatives from different sectors in the state including education, and a variety of service areas were invited to address issues and concerns regarding the nursing shortage.

PATRICIA A. POLANSKY - REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

P. Polansky reported. Noted a letter of resignation from Eloise Cathcart, Executive Director, National Council of State Boards of Nursing.

- Memo dated July 7, 2000 from Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director, Division of Consumer Affairs regarding the Standards for Joint Protocols between Advanced Practice Nurses and Collaborating Physicians adopted new rules: N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.6 and 13:37-6.3 as it appeared in the July 13, 2000 issue of the New Jersey Register at 32 N.J.R. 2448(a).
- New Jersey Hospital Association had its Coalition Meeting regarding the nursing shortage.
- Medical Errors - Patient Safety for informational purposes regarding issues on: 1.) Medical Mistakes: Sun-Sentinel Series Examines Problem; 2.) Medical Errors: USA Today Examines Issue; 3.) National Summit on Medical Errors and Patient Safety Research; 4.) On Needlestick Legislation; 5.) Nursing Homes: Drug Mistakes Injure, Kill Elderly; 6.) Texas: Pharmacists Have No Duty To Issue Safety Warnings; 7.) Nurses Asked To Get Active In Medical Error Prevention; and 8.) NPSF Recognizes Three Leaders In Patient Safety.
- In February 2001 the Division of Consumer Affairs, New Jersey State Board of Nursing will have updated features on the Board's web site. The Board's Web Site address is as follows: www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/home.htm.
- On October 31, 2000. Barbara Byers attended, the New Jersey Colleagues in Caring Program co-sponsored with the New Jersey Hospital Association on "Nursing Workforce Issues: Acting Now to Shape the Future." She reviewed the Executive Summary of the American Organization of Nurse Executives on "Perspectives on the Nursing Shortage: A Blueprint for Action." In it health care leaders are called upon to pave the way for organizational and legislative interventions to mitigate the impending shortage and prepare the current and future workforce for evolving patient care needs. All parties from the facility to the federal levels are called upon to collaborate in developing and implementing strategies to improve quality and efficiency of health care delivery including: 1.) Assessing needs, 2.) Cultivating adequate supply through partnerships between nursing education and nursing practice, 3.) Developing a skilled workforce and maximizing efficiencies, 4.) Monitoring progress and understanding value, and 5.) Creating the future by developing practice models and maximizing the use of technology to increase the efficiency of nursing personnel. Mrs. Byers shared the Colleagues in Caring Report on Nursing Workforce Issues.
- The Organization of Nurses Executives of New Jersey (ONE/NJ) Annual Meeting, Awards Presentations and Holiday Brunch is scheduled for December 8, 2000 the same day as the Board of Nursing Annual Meeting.
- For informational purposes the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Members attendance for the year 2000 is still 100%.
- M. Lown, P. Polansky, K. Schneider and the Board of Nursing Homemaker-Home Health Aide clerical staff attended the Certified Home Health Aide Day on November 14, 2000 at the Home Care Council of New Jersey and Home Health Assembly of New Jersey at the PNC Garden State Arts Center in Holmdel, New Jersey.
- M. Lown, M. Shore, and N. Tuazon have been selected as Diva's and Don's at this year's New Jersey State

Nurses Association Nursing Institute event.

- The New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Department of Community Affairs' Division on Women, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners and Law Enforcement Professional celebrated it's accomplishments at an Award Ceremony at the State House Annex on November 16, 2000.

New Jersey ensures the compassionate and sensitive delivery of services to victims of sexual violence through:

- (1.) The promotion of victim-centered interdisciplinary collaboration.
 - (2.) 24 hour, 7 day a week availability of services to victims in all of the 21 counties.
 - (3.) The development of the Attorney General's Standards for Providing Services to Survivors of Sexual Assault.
 - (4.) The acquisition of uniform, state-of-the-art forensic examination equipment.
 - (5.) The adoption of compassionate evidence collection protocols which eliminate unnecessary and painful procedures.
- "Communication Packet" includes: 1.) Call for Committee Nominations Memo from Donna Nowakowski, Associate Executive Director, National Council of State Boards of Nursing - dated October 25, 2000. 2.) American Nurses Association - October 20, 2000 - CMA Insider News and Information for Constituent Members Association - Maine Nurses Stay Strong and United with ANA. 3.) Article from: *The New York Times* - "In This Doctor -vs- Nurse Debate, Long, Deep Breaths" - dated October 8, 2000. 4.) Article from: *Institute for Nurses* "DIVA's and DON's - The 2nd Annual Gala - December 16, 2000 at the Princeton Marriott. 5.) Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee Member Attendance Sheet for 2000 Committee Meetings. 6.) New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners (BOME):Old Business: 1.) Verbal Orders for CDS to Physician Assistants. 2.) Medical Standards Governing Screening and Diagnostic Medical Testing in Practitioner Offices Proposed Amendment: N.J.A.C. 13:35-2.6. New Business: 1.) Protocol for New Procedures. Informational: 1.) Reporting of Communicable Diseases. 2.) C-11 Supply for Implantable Infusion Pumps. 3.) Task Force To Improve Physician Reporting. 4.) Certified Nurse Midwife - Proposed Amendment to N.J.A.C. 13:35-2A.11 Prescriptive Authorization. 5.) Informational.
 - "Special Handouts" - Invitation to Serve as elected officers of the National Council's Board of Directors or its Committee on Nominations.
 - "Information Salad" - feature stories: 1.) Unleash The Internet. 2.) Getting The Right Therapist, Important For the Elderly. 3.) Business Consortium to Launch Effort Seeking Higher Standards. 4.) \$50 Million for Medicine. 5.) Women's Fertile Window Very Unpredictable-Study. 6.) FDA Panel Urges Approval of New Eczema Drug. 7.) Better Late Than Never. 8.) Jogging Shorts: (a.) Late Hospitals to Settle Patient-Dumping Charges. (b.) More States Warn About Fake Invoices. (c.) New Organization Provides Better Immunization Information.
 - A summary of monies collected and processed at the Board of Nursing was passed around for informational purposes.
 - As of September 10-11, 2000, 7,400 of the new criminal background history applications were mailed. A total of 17,000 new applications will ultimately be mailed.
 - P. Polansky seeks approval for: 1.) P. Polansky and M. Lown to attend the November 17, 2000 - NJHA Quality Patient Care Advisory Committee Nursing Supply and Demand Summit II in Princeton, New Jersey. 2.) P. Polansky to attend The 2nd Annual Gala Diva's and Don's at the Princeton Marriott, Princeton, New Jersey - December 6, 2000. 3.) P. Polansky to attend The Forum on Healthcare Leadership to address: "The Bermuda

Triangle: Staffing, Patient Safety and The Nursing Shortage." 3 presentations 1/20/01, 1/21/01, and 1/22/01. 4.) J. Cole as speaker at the December 6, 2000, Cherry Hill Hilton, Cherry Hill, New Jersey - Preventing Suicide Among Youth. 5.) J. Cole as speaker at the December 14, 2000 - Burlington County Community College, Pemberton, New Jersey regarding Impaired Practice. 6.) J. Cole as speaker at the December 21, 2000 - Marworth, Scranton, Pa. - Treatment Program Facility.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DENISE G. LINK AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE APPEARANCES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PRESIDENT, AND STAFF.

- G. Lembo, Deputy Attorney General introduced Darlene Lapola, Deputy Attorney General who will also be assisting the Board of Nursing.
- P. Polansky introduced Valarie Herring, Supervisor of the Renewal/Duplicate Licensing, Advanced Practice, Data Entry, Endorsement Licensing, and License Verification Sections and the clerical staff: Ivette Castillo, Kario Wiltshire, Annie Oliver, Leslie Burgos, Tahanee Rabb, and Sylvia Jackson responsible for those areas who will be presenting the Board of Nursing annual Licensure Section update.

Crime Batch

Crime Applications Received:	69
Crime Applications Processed:	60
Crime Applications Pending:	9

Renewal/Duplicate Licensing Section - Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse

Renewal Applications Mailed:	65,433
Licenses Issued:	59,277

*** July 2000 - October 2000**

Lapsed Licenses Issued:	655
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Advanced Practice Section - Advanced Practice Nurses

Applications Mailed:	1,293
Certificates Issued:	1,277

*** July 2000 - October 2000**

Lapsed Renewal Certificate:	2
Applications Mailed:	386
Certificates Issued:	285

Data Entry Section - Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse

Name, Address & Undeliverable Licenses Completed:	21,073
Undeliverable Licenses:	4,356
Licenses Corrected & Mailed:	3,994
Licenses Retained:	362
Name & Address Changes Received & Processed:	17,079
Name & Addresses Retained:	0

Endorsement Licensing Section - Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse

Applications Mailed:	9,900
Registered Nurse:	9,050
Licensed Practical Nurse:	850
Licenses Issued:	1,840
Registered Nurse:	1,655
Licensed Practical Nurse:	185
Licenses Denied:	0

License Verification Section - Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse

State Board Verifications Received:	3,518
Registered Nurse:	3,055
Licensed Practical Nurse:	485
State Board Verifications Mailed:	3,421
Business & Individual Verifications Received & Mailed:	468

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. INTERVENTION PROGRAM TASK FORCE COMMITTEE:

No report.

2. BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

No report.

3. EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

B. Byers reported. The Education Committee met on November 14, 2000.

- Issue: Graduate Nurse's Employment

The question has been raised on whether a graduate nurse is permitted to work as a nurse extern between graduation from the nursing program and receipt of the State Board of Nursing Licensing Examination results.

Recommendation:

The extern is defined in Board policy as an unlicensed assistive person with prior Registered Nurse education who is a student in good standing in a nursing program; therefore, a nursing graduate is not an extern. When employing an assistive person, the supervision of a Registered Nurse must be made according to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.2., "Delegation of Selected Nursing Tasks."

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR APPROVAL THAT THE EXTERN IS DEFINED IN BOARD POLICY AS AN UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSON WITH PRIOR REGISTERED NURSE EDUCATION WHO IS A STUDENT IN GOOD STANDING IN A NURSING PROGRAM; THEREFORE, A NURSING GRADUATE IS NOT AN EXTERN. WHEN EMPLOYING AN UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSON, THE REGISTERED NURSE MUST SUPERVISE SAID PERSON IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.A.C. 13:37-6.2.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

- Issue: Proposed Curriculum Change at Gloucester County College, Division of Nursing/ Allied Health, "Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program."
- M. Lown welcomed and introduced Yvonne Burgess, Chair Nurse Program from Gloucester County College to the table to discuss Gloucester County College curriculum change.

Introduction:

Gloucester County College presented a request for approval of a new advanced placement track for Licensed Practical Nurses.

The proposed curriculum revision for Gloucester County College's Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse Program was prompted by a request from the community. Prospective students, health care agencies and Salem Community College have expressed a desire for this program option.

The revision of the Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse Program has been refined to improve focus on the needs of the transitioning LPN who is interested in becoming a Registered Nurse.

The proposed program has been renamed the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program.

Applicants to the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program are required to meet the admission criteria required of generic Nursing students (Nurse Entrance Test with Total and Reading Comprehension Scores of 49 or above, ACT of 20 or above, and GPA of 2.0). In addition, applicants must also complete Anatomy and Physiology I, English Composition I, and General Psychology prior to admission.

Students applying for admission to the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program may enroll in general education courses and/or Pharmacology for Health Professionals before acceptance.

Students will enter the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program in Spring, beginning with three LPN to RN Transition courses, as well as other required courses, and then integrate into the second year of the

generic Nursing Program in the Fall.

In planning the revisions to the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program, several changes were made. Firstly, the credit allocation for the transition courses changed. In the previous Licensed Practical Nurse to Registered Nurse Program, students enrolled in one eight-credit course. In the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program, students enroll in three transition courses, two one-credit courses and one three-credit course, as well as a three-credit pharmacology course. While the total credit allocation remains eight credits, the credit are divided among four courses. It is anticipated that this will provide the student with more opportunity to control his/her grade point average.

Secondly, the decision was made to admit students during a full college semester instead of during a summer session. This provides a number of advantages:

Students have the opportunity to integrate into the College community when College services and activities are fully operational.

Advanced Placement applicants are required to take fewer college courses prior to admission to the Program.

Students have a full semester, rather than a condensed summer session, to assimilate broader theoretical constructs of Registered Nurse practice.

Advanced Placement LPN to RN students are given opportunities to interact with generic Nursing students in general education courses and in enrichment activities, such as the Student Nurse's Organization, before joining the generic Nursing students in Semester III Nursing classes.

Thirdly, upon successful completion of all Nursing Program courses, students in the Advanced Placement LPN to RN Program are awarded five advanced placement credits, rather than six credits. The one credit reduction in advanced placement credit is a result of increased complexity of nursing knowledge and the separation of pharmacology into a full three credit course rather than integrated pharmacology content. Separating the pharmacology into a separate course provides the graduate with opportunity to transfer the credits into a BSN Program.

Finally, the degree awarded is changed from an Associate in Applied Science in Nursing to an Associate in Science in Nursing. This change is consistent with the generic Nursing Program.

Supporting Information:

1. Curriculum - Last Curriculum Revision was 1999

Students - 76 (Level I - 50, Level II - 26)

Faculty - 5

Strengths:

This effort is responsive to be community needs.

The curriculum awards 5 advanced placement credits.

The curriculum facilitates progress through General Education Courses.

Graduates outcomes are reflected in the advanced placement courses.

Areas of Concern:

Although 5 advanced placement credits are awarded to Licensed Practical Nurses, no challenge mechanism is available for any of the subsequent required courses.

Recommendation(s):

1. Evaluate the effectiveness of the advanced placement curriculum by incorporating it into the Systematic Plan of Program Evaluation.

Create a challenge mechanism for the advanced placement first semester nursing courses.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR APPROVAL OF THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT LPN TO RN PROGRAM INCLUDING THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE'S FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATIONS TO GLOUCESTER COUNTY COLLEGE, DIVISION OF NURSING.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

1. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PANEL

K. Schneider reported. The Legislative Review Panel reviewed the following:

- **Assembly Bill 1039** - Sponsor: Weinberg. Pre-filled for introduction in the 2000 session. This bill requires certificates of approval for home infusion therapy providers. **Position - Oppose.** Comment(s): 1.) The panel believed the bill offered no additional consumer protection for the following reasons: (a.) The criteria to determine if the home infusion therapy provider (agency or individual) has met approval standards is not outlined in the bill. (b.) The Board of Nursing would not want to get involved with listing people that perform this home infusion service, because before you could list them you would have to determine their qualifications. We currently do not have a list of nurses who are IV certified. That would be an enormous undertaking, not to mention inaccurate, due to the fact that with a certificate usually comes a method of maintaining that certificate. (c.) The whole concept of the bill does not protect consumers - they will have a false sense of security with viewing a meaningless "certificate of approval" from a state entity.
- **Assembly Bill 2717** - Sponsor: Coleman & Kelly. Introduced July 13, 2000. This bill establishes "Virtual Medical Monitoring Service Pilot Program" in the Department of Health and Senior Services; appropriates \$150,000. **Position - Support.** Comment(s): 1.) The panel recommends the Board of Nursing support the pilot monitoring concept tele-health is the future of healthcare. 2.) Noted: The monies appear inadequate in the bill.
- **Senate Bill 1531** - Sponsor: Allen & Inverso. Introduced September 14, 2000. This bill establishes Persons-at-Risk Registry in the Department of Health and Senior Services; appropriation \$250,000. **Position - Neutral.** Comment(s): 1.) Persons-at-Risk would benefit however, the bill infringes on a person's autonomy and confidentiality, not to mention the inclusion of government involvement. 2.) Privacy and reporting issues of patients were also a concern.
- **Senate Bill 1687** - Sponsor: Singer & Cardinale. Introduced October 19, 2000. This bill requires criminal history record background checks for health care professionals as condition of initial licensure. **Position - Monitor for more information.**
- **Senate Bill 1688** - Sponsor: Inverso. Introduced October 19, 2000. This bill creates system for reporting attempted suicides by youths by certain professionals. **Position - Oppose.** Comment(s): 1.) Collecting data is important for healthcare planning and intervention, however, this bill could further distance teenagers. 2.) Teachers and healthcare workers might report attempted suicides based on the fear of fines that would be imposed by this bill.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY LEO-FELIX JURADO AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PANEL.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. NURSING PRACTICE COMMITTEE:

D. Link reported on four issues from the Nursing Practice Committee meeting of November 3, 2000.

Issue: Guest Presentation, "Perspectives on Nursing Practice"

On November 3, 2000 Catherine Cardea, RN, MSN, Director of Professional Practice and Quality Initiatives, New Jersey Hospital Association (NJHA), presented the key goals of NJHA as advocacy, information and education. Ms. Cardea highlighted the structure of NJHA including Health Economics addressing financial impacts, Policy addressing regulation, managed care and surveys, Legislative/Legal working with New Jersey legislators, and Hospital Operations which includes Chief Nurse Executives as a constituency group comprising the Quality Patient Care Advisory Committee. A task force within Hospital Operations has been established to address workforce issues.

Issue: Palliative Care Nursing

Informational:

Deborah Witt Sherman, Ph.D., RN, ANP, CS, Assistant Professor of Nursing, New York University School of Education, Division of Nursing and Program Coordinator of the Advanced Practice Palliative Care Master's and Post-Master's Certificate Programs, and Project on Death in America Faculty Scholar requested that Palliative Care Nursing be recognized as a new Advanced Practice Nursing specialty in New Jersey. Four New Jersey nurses graduated with New York University's first class of six Advanced Practical Nurses in May, 1999. Dr. Sherman indicated that New York University received \$100,000 to develop a national certification examination for Advanced Practice Palliative Care credentialing in collaboration with the National Board for Certification for Hospice and Palliative Nurses and the American Nurses Credentialing Center. It is expected that this national credentialing exam will be available by March 2002. There is apparently no national certification examination that these graduates are eligible to take with their existing Masters in Palliative Care Nursing education.

Considerations:

- **N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.3(a)** requires that each applicant for certification successfully pass the highest level practice examination in the area of specialization approved by the Board.
- **N.J.A.C. 13:37-7.11 Categories for advanced practice** does not include Palliative Nursing Care as an APN clinical specialty, and requires rulemaking for a new category to be added. In the Board's proposed revisions for Subchapter 7, the categories of clinical specialties have been deleted and an advanced practice examination with a Masters Degree in the area of clinical nursing specialty will be required for APN certification in New Jersey by May 2002.

Recommendation:

A letter be forwarded to Dr. Deborah Witt Sherman clarifying the Board's regulations for Advanced Practice Nursing certification in New Jersey including:

The requirement of the highest level national certification examination in the area of clinical nursing specialty, and

Palliative Nursing Care is not an approved category of clinical nursing specialty in New Jersey.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DENISE LINK AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR APPROVAL FOR A LETTER TO BE FORWARDED TO DR. DEBORAH WITT SHERMAN CLARIFYING THE BOARD'S REGULATIONS FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING CERTIFICATION IN NEW JERSEY INCLUDING: 1.) THE REQUIREMENT OF THE HIGHEST LEVEL NATIONAL

CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION IN THE AREA OF CLINICAL NURSING SPECIALTY, AND 2.) PALLIATIVE NURSING CARE IS NOT AN APPROVED CATEGORY OF CLINICAL NURSING SPECIALTY IN NEW JERSEY.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

- Issue: Requirements for CDS Prescriptions in Inpatient Settings

Informational:

The New Jersey Prescription Blank Unit has expressed agreement that advanced practice nurses prescribing CDS in inpatient settings maintain within the health care facility's Pharmacy Department a record of their name, certification, CDS and DEA numbers and the name, license number and DEA number of their collaborating physician, replacing the requirement that advanced practice nurses document this information on the patient's medical record each time an order is written for CDS. The New Jersey Prescription Blank Unit has requested that the Board of Nursing seek approval for this recommendation from the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

Recommendation:

A letter be forwarded from the Board of Nursing to Henry Kozek, Program Manager for the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, to seek approval for advanced practice nurses prescribing CDS in the inpatient settings to maintain documentation of their name, certification, CDS and DEA numbers and the name, license number and DEA number of their collaborating physician in the Pharmacy Department rather than recording this information on the patient's medical record each time a CDS prescription is written.

Note: The Prescription Blank Unit has also revised the template for APN prescription blanks wherein the point font size is 9 or larger for the advanced practice nurse's credentialing information and size 8 for the collaborating physician's credentialing information. This addresses a request from advanced practice nurses that their credentialing information be a larger size than their collaborating physician's information on their state prescription blanks.

THE BOARD, UPON A MOTION MADE BY DENISE LINK AND DULY SECONDED, VOTED FOR APPROVAL FOR A LETTER TO BE FORWARDED FROM THE BOARD OF NURSING TO HENRY KOZEK, PROGRAM MANAGER FOR THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES, TO SEEK APPROVAL FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES PRESCRIBING CDS IN THE INPATIENT SETTINGS TO MAINTAIN DOCUMENTATION OF THEIR NAME, CERTIFICATION, CDS AND DEA NUMBERS AND THE NAME, LICENSE NUMBER AND DEA NUMBER OF THEIR COLLABORATING PHYSICIAN IN THE FACILITY PHARMACY DEPARTMENT RATHER THAN RECORDING THIS INFORMATION ON THE PATIENT'S MEDICAL RECORD EACH TIME A CDS PRESCRIPTION IS WRITTEN.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

- Issue: Areas Requiring Continuing Education Courses/Programs from Board Orders in the Disciplinary Process

Informational:

The Committee identified the following areas which require that continuing education courses/programs be researched wherein a Board reference list can be developed for nurses needing to comply with Board orders in the disciplinary process:

Patient's Rights

Ethics

Medication Administration (basic, age, and disease differences)

Cultural Sensitivity

Safe Patient Care, and

Delegation and Professional Accountability

6. REGULATORY REVIEW TASK FORCE:

No report.

2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

V. McKenney reported. The Nominating Committee met last month to elect the following nominees: Maris Lown for President, and Muriel Shore for Secretary/Treasurer which will be voted on at the next Board of Nursing meeting.

OPEN FORUM:

M. Lown asked the public to share with the Board of Nursing any concerns, issues or questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

3. No report.

SCHOOL AND AGENCY SURVEYS:

4. No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

5. No report.

APPEARANCES:

1. Board Orientation: Session Three: Maris A. Lown, President, New Jersey Board of Nursing discussed and reviewed the following: 1.) Mission and Vision of the Board of Nursing. 2.) Board Composition and Structure for Completing Board Work. 3.) Quorum for Board Meetings, Annual and Offsite Board Meetings, and Board Meeting Attendance Summary. 4.) Board Committee Obligations. 5.) Board Nominating Committee, and 6.) Board issues/priorities.

2. Board Orientation: Session Three: Patricia A. Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey Board of Nursing discussed and reviewed the following: 1.) Board Information Packet. 2.) Overview: Board of Nursing Professional Staff and Support Staff. 3.) Licensing System 2000. 4.) Regulatory Review Task Force Committee.

3. Board Orientation: Session Three: Barbara Byers, Administrative Analyst, New Jersey Board of Nursing discussed and reviewed the following: 1.) Nursing Practice Committee.

4. Board Orientation: Session Three: Kathryn Schneider, Assistant Executive Director, New Jersey Board of Nursing discussed and reviewed the following: 1.) Legislative Review Panel/Procedure. 2.) Criminal History Review Procedures/Packets, and 3.) Massage Therapy, Bodywork and Somatic Committee.

6. Board Orientation: Session Three: Joanne Cole, Director for Intervention Program for Nurses, New Jersey Board of Nursing discussed and reviewed the following: 1.) Board of Nursing Intervention Program.

- P. Polansky, Executive Director, New Jersey Board of Nursing distributed among the Board Members Orientation Evaluations for Session Three to be completed and returned at the end of the presentation.

ADJOURNMENT:

On November 21, 2000 the Regular Open Business Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next Regular Open Business Meeting will be held on January 16, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Maris A. Lown
President



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