



**Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Health**



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF NURSING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2015**

“The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public’s health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel.”

BOARD OF NURSING MEMBERS	MEMBERS PRESENT
Chair: Cathy Borris-Hale, RN	
Vice Chair: Sukhjot “Simmy” Randhawa, RN	
Toni Eason, RN	
Margaret Green, LPN	
Mary Ivey, Consumer	
Vera Mayer, Consumer	
Missy Moore, LPN	
Chioma Nwachukwu, RN	
Mamie Preston, RN	
Winslow Woodland, RN	

STAFF PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Executive Director	Deputy Director
Karen Scipio-Skinner	Rikin Mehta
Attorney	Investigator
Van Brathwaite	Mark Donatelli
Nurse Consultants	Timothy Handy
Bonita Jenkins	Board of Nursing Support Staff
Felicia Stokes	Angela Braxton
	Diane Moorer

BOARD OF NURSING MEETING

8:30 - 3:00

CALL TO ORDER:

The BON meeting executive session was called to order by Cathy Borris-Hale, Chairperson at _____

CONSENT AGENDA

ISSUE: May 6, 2015 Minutes

MOTION: May minutes approved

ACTION:

Executive Session:

Executive Session (non-public) to Discuss Ongoing, Confidential Preliminary Investigations pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14), to deliberate on a decision in which the Board will exercise quasi-judicial functions pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(13).

8:30 HEARING BACKLOG FOR DISCIPLINE CASES: Karen Skinner, Van Brathwaite

ISSUE: Hearings are currently backlogged

RECOMMENDATION: Schedule a day to hear cases

DECISION: **OAG will be contacted to schedule hearings (June 3, 2015)**

FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATION:

Schedule a specified day each month to hold hearings or settlement agreement meetings; such as, the 3rd Wednesday of the month; or Hold abbreviated sub-committee meetings and schedule hearings every other 1st Wednesday of the month.

Ethics Training: Karen Skinner

ISSUE: Ethic Training

Completed: Winslow Woodland, Mary Ivey, Mamie Preston

Scheduled: Missy Moore, Cathy Borris-Hale, Toni Eason, Vera Mayer

Please review list and let me know of any updates.

BOARD OF NURSING MEETING

OPEN SESSION

9:30

9:30 CALL TO ORDER:

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9:35 NURSING EDUCATION/PRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT: Toni Eason, Simmy Randhawa

DC Nursing Leaders Symposium

ISSUE: Re-cap (See evaluation summary attached)

10:00 REGULATION COMMITTEE REPORT: Winslow Woodland, Karen Skinner

- Side by side APRN regulations review (see attached)
- APRN Roundtable to be scheduled to receive feedback
- NAP side-by-side and RN-LPN-APRN side-by-side to be reviewed

10:10 NURSING ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL:

HOME HEALTH AIDES: Karen Skinner

ISSUE: Charge from the Discipline Committee to the Full Board. Consider making the issue of schools admitting students with positive criminal backgrounds in HHA programs a front burner issue. Often times the schools in DC are receiving grants/funds from DOES for these students. However, they are being denied by the Board due to positive CBC's.

DECISION: No change in policy (June 3, 2015)

FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATION:

Require schools to inform students about CBC requirements prior to admittance to the program. Require schools to have students sign a document acknowledging receipt of notification.

10:25 PRACTICE ISSUE

ISSUE: Question received from a BON: Karen Skinner

A school nurse has been asked to deliver marijuana cookies prepared by the student's mother to a minor student who is autistic and has severe seizure disorder. While the nurse is not the designated caregiver under the statute or physician order so this may not be an issue for her it raises questions on how do the BONs in states with medical marijuana statutes address the issue of nurses being asked to administer or deliver the medicinal marijuana to clients. We see this increasing in schools and in home care with

hospice. Do your laws or regulations allow nurses to do this? Are their clauses in the regulations or statutes that allow nurses to refuse to administer marijuana if they are uncomfortable? How do you handle the fact that Marijuana is a Class 1 narcotic?

DISCUSSION:

11:00 REGULATORY ISSUE

NCSBN SHARK TANK: Karen Skinner

ISSUE: NCSBN's Regulatory Staff are on a nationwide search to discover regulatory innovators, researchers, authors, and developers of new ideas/initiatives/processes for boards of nursing/NCSBN/nursing regulation. These individuals are invited to apply to be a part of NCSBN's Regulatory Shark Tank at the Annual Meeting. Individuals chosen will have the unique opportunity to vet their ideas by a panel of experts ("the sharks") who will provide feedback, guidance and encourage discussion and input from the audience of regulators. Individuals chosen will each have a 20 minute segment during the regulatory session at the Annual Meeting to showcase their board of nursing, their idea/product, etc and interact with the sharks. The session promises to be thought provoking, entertaining, informative and hopefully, will kickoff new ideas and projects for nursing regulators and NCSBN.

Whether your board of nursing or staff have a great idea, new product or process, subject of importance, research project or journal idea we invite you to fill out an application. Our casting agents will then select 7 ideas/projects/topics for the session and contact the applicant with further details. (They will be looking for a diversity of topics and ideas.) Who knows? This may be the beginning of an award winning research project, a JNR article or other idea that may be helpful to nurse regulators around the world!

RECOMMENDATION: NAP Regulatory Model, others?

NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM REGULATIONS: Karen Skinner

ISSUE: Proposed regulations returned from EOM for further revision. Staff will review recommended revisions.

LPN/RN REGULATIONS

ISSUE: Compact Licensure: Karen Skinner

RECOMMENDATION: In lieu of compact licensure, consider the following language

5508 LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT

5508.1 An applicant is eligible for licensure by endorsement if the applicant provides evidence of:

- (a) Completion of a Member Board approved RN or PN prelicensure education program; and
- (b) Successful passage of the NCLEX/State Board Test Pool Exam

5508.2 To apply for a license by endorsement, an applicant shall:

- (a) **Submit a completed application indicating multistate licensure status; or**
- (b) Submit a completed application to the Board providing the following:
 - a. Verification from the original state or territory of licensure pursuant to §5507.1
 - b. Verification from a state or territory of licensure in good standing;
 - c. Evidence of a completed CBC
- (d) Any other requirements as set forth by the Board;

“Multistate license” means a license to practice as a registered or a licensed practical/vocational nurse (LPN/VN) issued by a home state licensing board that authorizes the licensed nurse to practice in all party states under a multistate licensure privilege

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EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA
1:00 PM**

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DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS: Following persons are scheduled to appear (Documents forwarded previously)

BOARD OF NURSING REGULATION STATUS

REGULATION	STATUS	NOTES
Registered Nurse	Draft	Complete side by side
Licensed Practical Nurse	Draft	Complete side by side
Nursing Education Programs	Returned from EOM with comments	Staff will review
Certified Nurse Practitioner	Draft	Roundtable TBD
Clinical Nurse Specialist	Draft	Roundtable TBD
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Draft	Roundtable TBD
Certified Nurse Midwife	Draft	Roundtable TBD
HHA regulation amendments	Comments received: DCHF	Revisions made for consistency with DCHF, PCA regulations
NAP Omnibus (MAC, DT, PCT, CNA)	Comments received: MAC- DBH/DDS	Consider comments Complete side by side
NAP Fees	EOM	