



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2021 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Committee Members: Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP, Chair
Joanna Starratt, MSN, ARNP, CRNA
Lindsey Frank, CD, OB-RNC, ARNP, CNM
Megan Kilpatrick, ARNP-CNS, RN

Absent: Donna Poole, MSN, ARNP, PMHCNS-BC
Kathleen Errico, PhD, ARNP, Pro Tem

Excused: Shannon Fitzgerald, MSN, ARNP

Staff: Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN, Director, Advanced Practice and Research
Karl Hoehn, JD, FRE, Assistant Director, Discipline – Legal
Jessilyn Dagum, Research Assistant

I. 7:00 PM Opening – Laurie Soine, Chair

Call to order

- Introduction
- Public Disclosure Statement
- Roll Call
 - Laurie called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and introduced the Advanced Practice Subcommittee members and staff. The Public Disclosure Statement was read aloud for the meeting attendees.

II. Standing Agenda Items

- Announcements/Hot Topic/NCQAC Business Meeting Updates
 - Laurie gave a brief overview of the May 14, 2021 commission meeting highlights. NCQAC staff was honored during a lunch celebration for their great work. The Washington Center for Nursing (WCN) presented a review of their work to diversify the nursing workforce.
- Review of Advanced Practice Draft Minutes: April 21, 2021
 - Reviewed with the consensus to bring to the July commission meeting for approval.

III. Old Business

- Scope of Practice Rules Update – Mary Sue Gorski and Shannon Fitzgerald
 - Mary Sue noted that they continue to move in the same direction with their work as they indicated last month. The team will come back to the subcommittee with a report in the upcoming months.

IV. New Business

- Prescriptive Authority Data Update
 - Mary Sue and Louise Kaplan presented a brief update on the work they've started regarding the request from ARNPs United to consider changing prescriptive authority from 'opt-in' to 'opt-out.' Katie Novak, a DNP student, has begun assisting in this work. Louise presented

archived rules she found that likely explains the state's optional prescriptive authority.

- Early Remediation – Karl Hoehn
 - Karl presented a brief background of the early remediation program. Part of the criteria in order to participate in the program is to ‘practice monitoring within six months or less.’ Karl noted that ARNPs require provider level remediation which might involve a provider evaluation and might not be easily scheduled within six months. Karl asked if it would be of interest to the subcommittee to revisit this rule in order to make it more adaptable for ARNPs. The subcommittee discussed the topic further. Joanna suggested that the subcommittee brainstorm ways the program be implemented more often rather than less often. The subcommittee agreed that they did not see an issue with the criteria as written. The commission will decide how and if the rule needs to be changed.

V. Ending Items

- Open Microphone (as time permits)
 - Louise Kaplan asked for clarification on which emergency rules the commission decided to open for consideration of permanent changes. Louise asked if the subcommittee could summarize if any of the ARNP rules would be affected. Laurie gave a brief overview of the areas that would be affected.
- Review of Actions
- Meeting Evaluation – All
- Date of Next Meeting – June 16, 2021
- Adjournment – 8:00 PM or Earlier if Business is Finished