



**Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (NCQAC)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2022 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Committee Members: Jonathan Alvarado, ARNP, CRNA, Chair
Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP
Kathleen Errico, PhD, ARNP, Pro Tem
Megan Kilpatrick, MSN, ARNP-CNS, AOCNS
Shannon Fitzgerald, MSN, ARNP

Absent: Joanna Starratt, MSN, ARNP, CRNA
Bianca Reis, DNP, MBA, ARNP, PMHNP-BC
Deb Smith DNP, ARNP, FNP-BC
Lindsey Frank, CD, OB-RNC, ARNP, CNM

Staff: Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN, Director, Advanced Practice and Research
Jessilyn Dagum, Research Assistant

I. 7:00 PM Opening – Jonathan Alvarado, Chair

Call to order

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

II. Standing Agenda Items

- Announcements/Hot Topic/NCQAC Business Meeting Updates
 - Jessilyn presented a brief update on the rules the subcommittee has been involved with.
 - Mary Sue gave a brief update from the May 13, 2022 commission meeting. The commission received input on the Advanced Practice prescriptive authority revisions that were proposed at the commission meeting. Considering the comments received, the commission decided to withdraw the proposed revisions regarding prescriptive authority for further exploration.
 - Kathy reminded the subcommittee of Louise Kaplan's suggestion to pilot the prescriptive authority revisions to recent graduates and nursing students.
- Review of Advanced Practice Draft Minutes: April 20, 2022
 - Reviewed with consensus to bring to the July commission meeting for approval.

III. Old Business

- None

IV. New Business

- NCAO 12.00 Medical Acupuncture
 - At the May 13, 2022 commission meeting, the commission moved to open NCAO 12.00 Medical Acupuncture to update and modernize the document with current language. Mary Sue went over the process of opening and updating a nursing commission advisory opinion, beginning with staff researching the topic of the advisory opinion.

V. Ending Items

- Public Comment
 - *Leslie Emerick* – Inquired about the ARNP scope of practice rules work and if medical acupuncture would be included in the rules.
 - It is the commission's decision to not include specific topics or procedures, such as medical acupuncture, in nursing scope of practice rules due to the ever-evolving practice environment of nurses and the timely process it takes for specific rule changes, but rather issue specific Advisory Opinions on these topics to provide guidance and clarification.
- Review of Actions
- Meeting Evaluation – All
- Date of Next Meeting – June 15, 2022
- Adjournment – 7:58 PM