



**Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meeting Agenda
September 20, 2023 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

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- I. 7:00 PM Opening – Jonathan Alvarado, Chair**
 - Call to order**
 - Introduction
 - Public Disclosure Statement
 - Roll Call

- II. Standing Agenda Items**
 - Announcements/Hot Topic/WABON Business Meeting Updates
 - Review of Advanced Practice Draft Minutes: July 19, 2023, August 14, 2023

- III. Old Business**
 - Update on the NCSBN Annual Meeting AP Compact

- IV. New Business**
 - Rulemaking updates
 - New Member Orientation

- V. Ending Items**
 - Public Comment
 - Review of Actions
 - Meeting Evaluation
 - Date of Next Meeting – October 18, 2023
 - Adjournment – 8:00 PM or Earlier if Business is Finished



**Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2023**

Subcommittee Members: Jonathan Alvarado, ARNP, CRNA, Chair
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Absent: Ronna Smith, MN, ARNP
Megan Kilpatrick, MSN, ARNP-CNS, AOCNS

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

**I. 7:00 PM Opening – Jonathan Alvarado, Chair
Call to Order**

- Jonathan Alvarado called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. The Advanced Practice Subcommittee members and support staff were introduced. The Public Disclosure Statement was read aloud for the meeting attendees.

II. Standing Agenda Items

- Announcements/Hot Topic/WABON Business Meeting Updates
- Review of Advanced Practice Draft Minutes: June 21, 2023
 - Reviewed, with consensus to bring to the September 8, 2023 WABON business meeting for approval.

III. Old Business

- APRN Title Protection Refined Language
 - Jonathan Alvarado introduced APRN title protection refined language. Mary Sue Gorski and Karl Hoehn provided further background on this item. Subcommittee discussed.
 - The opportunity was given for public comment on this agenda item.
 - The subcommittee recommended that the APRN title protection refined language be brought to the September 7, 2023 WABON meeting for approval.

V. Ending Items

- Public Comment
 - The public was given the opportunity to comment on the agenda items.
- Review of Actions
- Meeting Evaluation
- Date of Next Meeting – August 16, 2023
- Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.



**Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON)
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Special Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2023**

Subcommittee Members: Jonathan Alvarado, ARNP, CRNA, Chair
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Absent: Jeffery Ramirez, Ph.D., PMHNP, CARN-AP, CNE, FNAP, FAANP, FAAN
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Ronna Smith, MN, ARNP

Staff Present: Alison Bradywood, DNP, MPH, RN, NEA-BC, Executive Director
Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN, Director, Advanced Practice and Research
Deborah Carlson, MSN, BSEd, PMC, CPM, RN, Director of Nursing Practice
Jessilyn Dagum, Policy Analyst
Lohitvenkatesh Oswal, Research Assistant

Public Present: Bob Smithing, ARNP, FAAN
Anisa Young
Katie Wahler
Ada Marie W. Vorse
Linda van Hoff
Kristine Highlander
Devon Connor-Green
Gloria Brigham
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**I. 7:00 PM Opening – Jonathan Alvarado, Chair
Call to Order**

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

II. Old Business

- Input about AP Compact for the NCSBN House of Delegates
 - Jonathan Alvarado introduced the agenda item. Alison Bradywood and Mary Sue Gorski provided further background on the AP Compact and the agenda item.
 - Subcommittee discussed the revision of the AP Compact.
 - A subcommittee member voiced concern regarding Article 3 of the AP Compact allowing master's degree-prepared Advanced Practice nurses to practice in Washington state.
 - A subcommittee member voiced concern regarding the multistate license education requirement of 2080 practice hours.
 - The opportunity was given for public comment on this agenda item. Several members of the public gave comments. Concerns were raised regarding the AP Compact, including the multistate license requirement

of 2080 practice hours.

- The subcommittee recommended opening the AP Compact for revision.

III. New Business

- Update on the JARRC Petition and Hearing Process
 - Jonathan Alvarado introduced the item. Mary Sue Gorski and Jessilyn Dagum gave further background.

IV. Ending Items

- Public Comment
 - The public was given the opportunity to comment on the agenda items.
- Date of Next Meeting – September 20, 2023
- Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

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2024 Session Request Legislation Proposal

Lead Division or Commission: Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (changed to Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON) as of July 23, 2023)
Session Year: 2024 **Date:** September 1, 2023

Type of Proposal: Legislative Budget Both

Proposal Title:

Change Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) as a protected title in RCW 18.79.030

Concise statement explaining why the bill is needed (e.g., problem statement):

Washington State is one of the nine states and one territory that do not use the nationally accepted term Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN). This potentially creates confusion for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners (ARNPs) in WA state and for APRNs across state lines. The confusion may increase with implementation of the RN/LPN compact in July 2023, and in telehealth practices. [APRN Title Map | NCSBN](#) (Appendix C)

Summary of the proposed solution (include desired results and any increased efficiencies):

There is general agreement on the need to adopt the nationally recognized title. Since the ARNP title is so embedded in the laws and rules, it could disrupt practice and cause consumer confusion to remove one title (ARNP) and replace with another (APRN) without a transition period. The result is the current recommendation that allows a three-year preparation to make changes necessary for the new title of APRN by June 30, 2027.

This proposal aligns with:

Foundational Public Health Services? Choose an item

Foundational Capabilities: (select all that apply)

- Assessment (surveillance and epidemiology)
- Emergency preparedness and response (all hazards)
- Communications
- Policy development and support
- Community partnership development
- Business competencies

DOH Vision for Transformation: (select all that apply)

- Health and Wellness
- Health Systems Transformation and Infrastructure
- Environmental Health
- Emergency Response and Resilience
- Global Health

Governor's Priorities? (select all that apply)

- World class education
- A prosperous economy
- Sustainable energy and clean environment
- Healthy and safe communities
- Efficient, effective, and accountable government

Related Agency Request This is a new agency request unrelated to any prior requests

If a prior request, what was the agency request title? If other, please explain.

NA

Provide a statement that explains why DOH needs the bill.

Washington State is one of nine states and one territory that do not use the nationally accepted term Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN). This potentially creates confusion for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners (ARNPs) in WA state and for APRNs across state lines. The confusion may increase with implementation of the RN/LPN compact and in telehealth practices.

Is this bill tied to the Governor’s priority or priorities? If yes, please indicate which Governor’s priority or priorities and how the request is tied to them.

This bill is tied to the Governor’s priority for efficient, effective, and accountable government by modernizing statutory language and positioning WA to be in line with national standards.

Provide a summary of major provisions.

- 1) Submit bill changing ARNP to APRN as a protected title in the state of WA.
- 2) Add a new section 2 stating, “This bill shall take effect on June 30, 2027.”

Provide changes to the current law.

RCW 18.79.030

(2) It is unlawful for a person to practice or to offer to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse practitioner or as a nurse practitioner in this state unless that person has been licensed under this chapter. A person who holds a license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse practitioner in this state may use the titles "advanced practice registered nurse practitioner," "nurse practitioner," and "nurse" and the abbreviations "A.PR.RN.NP." and "N.P." No other person may assume those titles or use those abbreviations or any other words, letters, signs, or figures to indicate that the person using them is an advanced practice registered nurse practitioner or nurse practitioner.

(4) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a person listed as a Christian Science nurse in the Christian Science Journal published by the Christian Science Publishing Society, Boston, Massachusetts, from using the title "Christian Science nurse," so long as such person does not hold himself or herself out as a registered nurse, advanced practice registered nurse practitioner, nurse practitioner, or licensed practical nurse, unless otherwise authorized by law to do so.

Sec 2; This bill shall take effect on June 30, 2027.

Will the fiscal impact of this proposed legislation exceed \$50,000?

No

Does this proposal require commission or advisory committee endorsements?

Yes, Board of Nursing approval of concept received November 18, 2022. Draft language will be presented to the Board of Nursing September 7, 2023.

Top line message. Two to three bullet points on the key public health goals or why the bill is important.

- Washington State is one of the few states that does not use the nationally accepted term Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN).

- This potentially creates confusion for Advanced Practice Nurse Practitioners (ARNPs) in WA state and for APRNs across state lines. The confusion may increase with implementation of the RN/LPN compact and in telehealth practices.
- There is general agreement on the need to adopt the nationally recognized title. Since the ARNP title is so embedded in the laws and rules, it could disrupt practice and cause consumer confusion to remove one title (ARNP) and replace with another (APRN) without a transition period. The result is the current recommendation that allows a three-year preparation to make changes necessary for the new title of APRN by June 30, 2027.

What alternatives were explored and why was this chosen?

Explored change in the title across the RCW and WAC and found over 100 references to ARNP. Since the ARNP title is so embedded in the laws and rules, it could disrupt practice and cause consumer confusion to remove one title (ARNP) and replace with another (APRN) at one point of time. The result is the current recommendation to allow preparation time for implementation of the new title of APRN.

What are the consequences of not taking any action on this issue? Why now?

Confusion for ARNPs in WA state and for APRNs across state lines. The confusion has increased due to the discussion around the Advanced Practice compact in the context of the RN/LPN compact passing in the 2023 legislative session.

What are the controversial issues or difficult questions we anticipate and how will we respond?

Across interested parties there is agreement with the change of the title from ARNP to APRN due to national standards. There was discussion about including one or more of the four ARNP designations as additional protected titles. The four designations are: clinical nurse specialist (CNS) certified nurse anesthetist (CRNA), certified nurse midwife (CNM), and certified nurse practitioner (CNP). The titles of these four designations are currently in line with national standards, except they are licensed as ARNPs rather than APRNs. Their designations are in line with national standards. The Advanced Practice Subcommittee of the Washington State Board of Nursing decided to go forward with the change of ARNP to APRN because it is out of sync with national standards. The Subcommittee may continue to gather information and evaluate the benefits and risks of moving to title protection for all ARNP (APRN) designations.

Describe the data, science, or promising practices that supports this proposal.

The Consensus Model (NCSBN) ([Consensus Model Report.pdf \(ncsbn.org\)](#)), Nurse Licensure Compact ([Home | NURSECOMPACT](#)), AP Nurse Compact ([Home | APRNCOMPACT](#))

What is the expected return on investment (ROI)?

Continue to support modernized regulations and nationally recognized standards.

Which communities may be affected by this bill? For each community you identify, please indicate if this bill is likely to reduce health disparities, increase health disparities, or have no impact on health.

Reduce health disparities by decreasing possible confusion in the ARNP/APRN title that may cause barriers to care in WA state.

Would this bill require a DOH Tribal Consultation and Collaboration procedure? Choose an item.

If yes, briefly describe.

No

Complete appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan.

Who is the target population or community that will benefit by the proposed legislation? How will the population/community benefit?

Recipients of Washington state health care will have advanced practice roles aligned with national terms, increasing clarity of advanced practice roles. Additionally, statutory protection of both titles will prevent imposters from unlawfully using the titles with impunity, protecting residents of the state from being misled.

Describe how your agency conducted community outreach and engagement by relationally partnering with communities and populations who have historically been excluded and marginalized by governmental decisions.

The Advanced Practice Subcommittee (APSC) is made up of AP nurses practicing in various specialty areas, so they bring a broad perspective to the topics discussed. The APSC is a monthly open public meeting conducted virtually with time for public comment and participation. A wide variety of individuals attend the APSC as public members and provide their input including ARNP United, nursing specialty groups, and practice specialty groups. An additional opportunity was provided in two open public meetings offered virtually to elicit input on the proposed language of the legislative change. (Appendix A provides specific information on attendance at meetings and interested party groups)

Please describe how your agency revised the proposed legislation based upon the feedback provided through your community outreach and engagement.

We received input on implementation language from the Clinical Nurse Specialist member of the APSC recommending additional title protection for the CNS title. More information was deemed necessary to move forward with the CNS change, so a workgroup was formed to continue to study this additional title. Input was recently received from ARNP United suggesting their belief that the change would be better implemented at one point of time rather than the gradual transition in the current proposal. We continue to engage in dialogue with a variety of interested parties to refine the language addressing concerns and move forward with the intent of the legislation. The following Washington state interested parties were contacted to assure they are informed, and their input is considered; the Health Care Authority, Department of Social and Health Services, and Labor and Industries.
(See Appendix A for further details)

Is there a target population or community that is not included, would be marginalized and/or disproportionately impacted? If so, please explain why and how the exclusion will be addressed.

Although unlikely, individuals may not be aware of the changes and may be concerned nurse practitioners with the new title are not equivalent. Our implementation plan will include extensive communication, outreach, and education from the time the bill is passed through a three year period to fully implement the new APRN title as the required title including the following: 1) website, interested parties, and GovDelivery notifications, 2) changing licensing documentation to include the required title, 3) change required title on all website and share point communications where ARNP is used, and 4) correct to APRN as required title in one-time rules process.

Describe impacts the proposed legislation could have on the communities and populations who have been included and excluded and/or marginalized.

See above

Does this proposal have a fiscal impact on the Department of Health? No If yes, complete appendix B – Fiscal Estimates. Final package requires a fiscal note even if zero impact.

How much of the cost is one-time versus ongoing?

One-time rulemaking will be required to update relevant WACs over the next several years.

Does this proposal have a negative/positive fiscal impact on other state agencies? **No** Choose an item.
If yes, list the agency or agencies below and attach their fiscal note.

No

Does this action have the potential to impact individual or community exposure to toxic chemicals, pollutants, hazards, or other harms? (ex. Lead, wildfire smoke, PFAS, nitrates, etc.) Choose an item

Please describe:

No

Does this action have the potential to impact the built environment for individuals or communities? (ex. Internet access, transportation infrastructure, access to health services, etc.) Choose an item

Please describe:

No

Does this action have the potential to impact access to environmental resources or benefits for individuals or communities? (ex. Cultural resources, clean air or water, access to nature, etc.) Choose an item

Please describe:

No

Does this action have any other foreseeable potential impacts to environmental health? Choose an item

Please describe:

No

Are there any other reasons not otherwise stated why this action may have a potential environmental justice impact? Choose an item

Please describe:

No

Subject Matter Expert

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Appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan

1. Identify who you will engage to ensure the success of this proposal and their potential support or concerns.

Make sure to include:

- The communities most affected (your target audience)
- Political partners (Local Health Jurisdictions, Governor’s Office, Tribal Nations, other state agencies)
- Community organizations and coalitions

Also consider:

- Academic institutions
- Internal partners (other Divisions, programs, etc.)
- Vendors (contractors, etc.)
- Businesses

Partner	Contact Information Name, Title, Phone and E-Mail	Position (Support, Support with Concerns, Neutral, Oppose)	How Position Confirmed? (DOH initial assumption, phone, e-mail, meeting)
Health Care Authority	Sue Birch, Director, sue.birch@hca.wa.gov, Louis McDermott, Deputy Director, louis.mcdermott@hca.wa.gov	Support	Email, phone, meeting
DSHS	Bea Rector, Assistant Secretary, bea-alise.rector@dshs.wa.gov Mike Anbesse, Assistant Secretary, mike.anbesse@dshs.wa.gov	Support	Email, phone, meeting
Labor and Industries	Joel Sacks, Director, joel.sacks@lni.wa.gov (Invited) Gary Franklin, MD, Medical Director, fral235@lni.wa.gov Caitlin Gates, Senior Policy Advisor, gatd235@lni.wa.gov Brenda Heilman, Deputy Assistant Director for Insurance Services, wkim235@lni.wa.gov	To be determined	Email, phone, meeting
ARNP United	Louise Kaplan, PhD, ARNP, FNP-BC, FAANP, FAAN, kaplanlouise@gmail.com, phone	Support	Meeting
American Association of Nurse Practitioners	Louise Kaplan, PhD, ARNP, FNP-BC, FAANP, FAAN, kaplanlouise@gmail.com, phone	Support	Meeting
National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)	Michele Buck, APRN, Advanced Practice Adviser NCSBN	Support	National Standards

Appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan

2. Analyze your partners.

- ✓ Low interest, low influence = those you need to keep informed
- ✓ High interest, low influence = those you need to involve and consult with
- ✓ Low interest, high influence = powerful partners you need to engage
- ✓ High interest, high influence = partners you need to collaborate with

Insert the partners noted in item 1 above in the appropriate category for the level of engagement needed.

Partner Influence	High	Keep Satisfied <i>Inform + Consult</i>	Work Together <i>Inform + Consult + Collaborate</i>
		Minimal Effort <i>Inform</i>	Show Consideration <i>Inform + Consult</i>
	Low		
		Partner Interest	High

Appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan

3. Engagement Process

Topic/Title:		Date Plan Developed:		Plan Developed By:	
Desired Outcomes:		Date Plan Updated:		Participants/Work Group/Responsible Staff:	

Insert additional rows as needed.

Activity	Tasks	Staff Responsible	Start Dates		End Dates		Engagement Type			Comments
			Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Inform	Consult	Collaborate	
Interested Parties Meetings	<p>Open public meeting with opportunity for public to comment on agenda items.</p> <p>2 Interested Parties meetings held on: June 23, 2023, 8:00AM-8:45AM June 29, 2023, 5:00PM-5:45PM</p>	Mary Sue Gorski, Lohitvenkatesh Oswal	06/23/2023	06/23/2023	06/29/2023	06/29/2023	x	x	x	<p>Attendance: Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN (staff) Lohitvenkatesh Oswal (staff) Emerisse Shen, MSN, CNP, FNP, ARNP Jonathan Alvarado, ARNP, CRNA Lindsey Frank, CD, OB-RNC, ARNP, CNM Megan Kilpatrick, MSN, ARNP-CNS, AOCNS Louise Kaplan, PhD, ARNP, FNP-BC, FAANP, FAAN Debbie Buchwach, Valley Medical Center Colleen Dawkins Darrell Owens David Allcott Kelli Camp Melissa Johnson Mike Fisher Natalie Williams Therese Dumas Trish Hetrick Jamie Wilson Bob Smithing, ARNP, FAANP Alexandra Truzzi</p>

Appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan

Activity	Tasks	Staff Responsible	Start Dates		End Dates		Engagement Type			Comments
			Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Inform	Consult	Collab- orate	
										Bevan Briggs Brandy DeWeese Donna Poole, PMHNP Julie Benson, DNP student Karen Hays Kristine Highlander Mary Moller Shelly Boss Suzanne Swadener, Health Care Authority 4 anonymous attendees
Advanced Practice Subcommittee Meetings	Open public meetings with opportunity for public to comment on agenda items. 6 subcommittee meetings held from 7:00PM-8:00PM on: October 19, 2022 November 16, 2022 January 18, 2023 February 15, 2023 March 15, 2023 June 21, 2023	Mary Sue Gorski, Lohitvenkatesh Oswal	10/19/2022	10/19/2022	06/21/2023	06/21/2023	x	x	x	Attendance: Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN (staff) Lohitvenkatesh Oswal (staff) Jonathan Alvarado, ARNP, CRNA Emerisse Shen, MSN, CNP, FNP, ARNP Laurie Soine, PhD, ARNP Shannon Fitzgerald, MSN, ARNP Lindsey Frank, CD, OB-RNC, ARNP, CNM Megan Kilpatrick, MSN, ARNP-CNS, AOCNS Wendy E. Murchie, DNP, CPNP-AC Bianca Reis, DNP, MBA, ARNP, PMHNP-BC Tatiana Sadak, PhD, ARNP, RN, GSAF, FAAN Kimberley A. Veilleux, DNP, RN, ANP-BC
NCQAC Commission (now WABON) meeting	Open public meeting with opportunity for the public to comment on agenda items. Commission (now WABON) approval of concept. November 18, 2022.	Mary Sue Gorski	11/18/2022	11/18/2022	11/18/2022	11/18/2022	x	x	x	Commission (now WABON) moved to approve Advanced Practice Subcommittee activities to accept national standard, "APRN" as title.

Appendix A – Community & Partner Engagement Plan

Activity	Tasks	Staff Responsible	Start Dates		End Dates		Engagement Type			Comments
			Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Inform	Consult	Collaborate	
ARNP United	Follow-up discussion with Louise Kaplan and Mary Sue Gorski about concerns brought forward.	Mary Sue Gorski		June 23, 2023		June 23, 2023	x	x	x	Phone call
ARNP United	Follow-up discussion with Louise Kaplan, Karl Hoehn and Mary Sue Gorski about concerns brought forward.	Mary Sue Gorski		June 26, 2023		June 26, 2023	x	x	x	Phone call
NCSBN	Michele Buck, APRN	Mary Sue Gorski		June 13, 2023		June 13, 2023	x	x	x	NCSBN Monthly Knowledge Network Call
NCSBN	Michele Buck, APRN	Mary Sue Gorski		June 29, 2023		June 29, 2023	x	x	x	Phone call consult

Appendix B – Fiscal Estimates

Estimated Cash Receipts:

None.

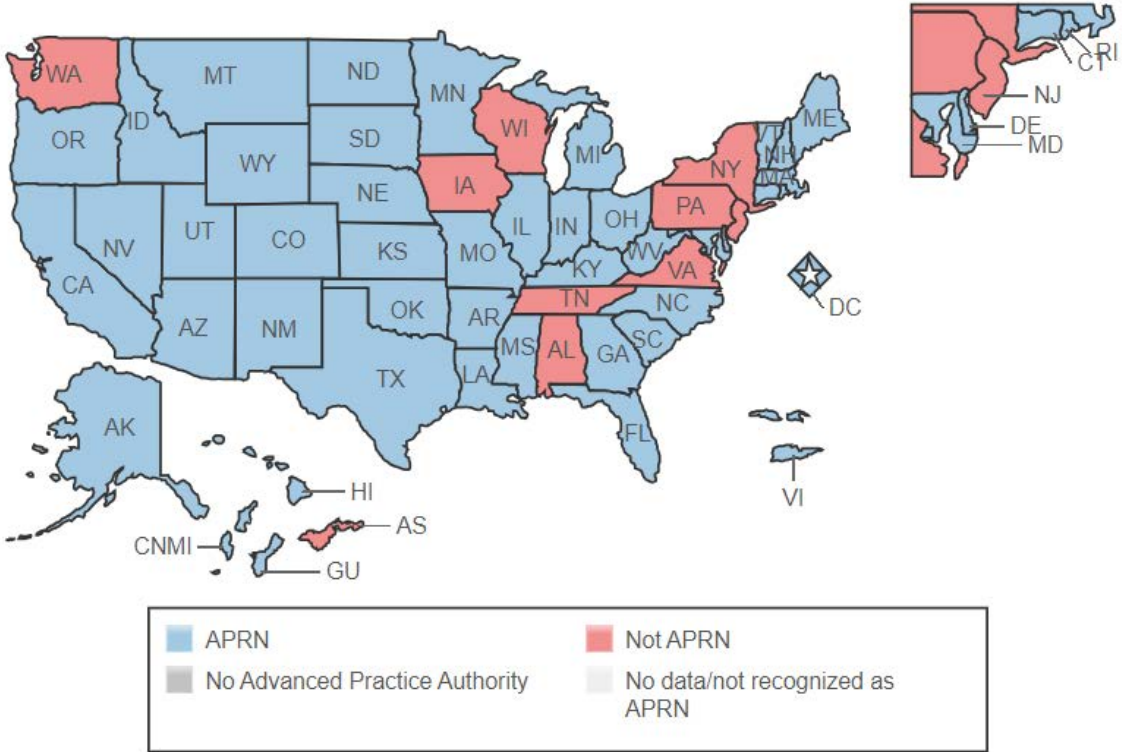
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
FTE Staff Years				
Account				
XXX-X				
XXX-X				
XXX-X				
Total \$				

Estimated Expenditures:

One time rule making will be required to make the relevant changes in the WACs when the legislation is implemented. See attached FNCAL for details. The funding source is 02G (Health Professions).

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
FTE Staff Years				
Account				
XXX-X				
XXX-X				
XXX-X				
Total \$				

Appendix C – APRN Title Map



NCSBN APRN Title Map (2022) ([APRN Title Map | NCSBN](#))

Change to the APRN from ARNP as protected titles

RCW 18.79.030 Licenses required—Titles.

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Problem

Washington State is one of only nine states and one territory that does not use the nationally accepted term Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN). This potentially creates confusion for Advanced Practice Nurse Practitioners (ARNP) in WA state and for APRNs across state lines. The confusion may increase with implementation of the RN/LPN compact and in telehealth practices. (RCW 18.79.030 Licenses required—Titles). [APRN Title Map | NCSBN](#)

Solution (language not yet final)

1) Submit bill changing APRN as a protected title in the state of WA.

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2) Add section 2; This bill shall take effect on June 30, 2027.

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Impact

There is general agreement on the need to adopt the nationally recognized title. Since the ARNP title is so embedded in the laws and rules, it could disrupt practice and cause consumer confusion to remove one title (ARNP) and replace with another (APRN) without a transition period. The result is the current recommendation that allows a three-year preparation to make changes necessary for the new title of APRN by June 30, 2027.