



**Washington State Board of Nursing  
Consistent Standards of Practice Subcommittee Minutes  
October 6, 2023**

<b>Committee</b>	Sharon Ness, RN, Chair
<b>Members</b>	Ella Guilford, MSN, M.ED., BSN, RN, Member
<b>Present:</b>	Quiana Daniels, BSN, RN, LPN, Member Tiffany Randich, RN, LPN, Pro Tem Diana Meyer, DNP, RN, NEW-BC, FAEN, Pro Tem
<b>Staff</b>	Deborah Carlson, MSN, PMC, CPM, RN, Director of Nursing Practice Shana Johnny, DNP, MN, RN, Nursing Practice Consultant Holly Palmer, Administrative Assistant Seana Reichold, Staff Attorney

**Opening:**

Committee Chair Sharon Ness called the meeting to order at 12:09 P.M. The Consistent Standards of Practice subcommittee members and staff were introduced, and Commissioner Ness read the Public Disclosure Statement was read aloud.

**Announcements:**

- Shana Johnny provided an update on nurse delegation of COVID-19 testing in various settings and a summary report of a meeting with interested parties. Some concerns are outside WABON jurisdiction and must be solved by individual agencies or organizations.
- Debbie Carlson provided an update on nursing delegation related to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Acute Hospital-at-Home Care Model; action should only be taken if the program exists. Ms. Carlson will follow up with attendees who requested an informational meeting.
- Ms. Johnny introduced the Consistent Standards of Practice Subcommittee Quality Assurance Plan. Due to increased workload and additional activities, staff will review work processes and develop a system to filter requests to determine priority levels. Pro Tem board member Diane Meyer will assist staff in building this framework.

**Draft Minutes:** CSPSC agreed to move the June 2 and June 8, 2023, draft minutes to the November WABON business meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Non-Surgical Cosmetic Procedures/Informed Consent** – CSPSC agreed to request Board approval to develop an Advisory Opinion and a Commonly Asked Questions (CAQ) document after discussing this issue. This request will move to the November WABON business meeting.

**Nurse Delegation Advisory Opinions** – Ms. Carlson received extensive feedback from interested parties on the complexity of developing Advisory Opinions to address nursing delegation in various settings. It was determined that a CAQ document is better suited to provide information and guidelines. Ms. Carlson will draft a CAQ document for the subcommittee to review.

**New Business:**

**Advisory Opinion: NCAO 20.03 Death with Dignity - Aid in Dying: Role of the Nurse Revision Draft** – Ms. Carlson provided background and an update. This document relates to a law change for nurse practitioners, who can now prescribe for qualified patients. The revision is to comply with the new rules. CSPSC agreed to move this forward to the November WABON business meeting for approval.

**Advisory Opinion: NCAO 28.01 Standing Orders – Draft Revision** – Ms. Carlson provided background and update. The document lists state-wide standing orders rescinded once the COVID-19 pandemic ended. The subcommittee agreed to forward the draft revision of the Advisory Opinion to the November WABON business meeting for approval.

**Commonly Asked Questions - Patient Abandonment: Active Shooter Scenario – Draft Revision** – Ms. Carlson provided background and update. The Washington State Nursing Association requested clarification from the board about patient abandonment and active shooter scenarios. The current interpretive statement does not explicitly address active shooter scenarios and what constitutes patient abandonment. The sub-committee agreed to forward the CAQ draft revision to the November WABON business meeting for full approval.

**CAQ – Emergency Care – Scope of Practice in Community-Based and Home-Care Settings – Draft** – The Washington State Department of Social and Health Services is requesting a formal response as to whether the RN can delegate administration of injectable epinephrine, glucagon, and naloxone. Ms. Carlson is working on draft CAQs; input will be solicited from interested parties, and the AAG will review and provide recommendations before a draft is brought back to the subcommittee for review.

**Public Comment:** The public was permitted time to comment on agenda items.

**Ending Items**

- Review of Actions: Multiple advisory opinion drafts forwarded to the board for approval at the November Board meeting:
  - Non-Surgical Cosmetic Procedures/Informed Consent Advisory Opinion: Request to Draft.
  - NCAO 20.03 Death with Dignity – Aid-in-Dying: Role of the Nurse Advisory Opinion Draft: Request to Adopt.

- NCAO 28.01 Standing Orders – Draft Revision: Request to Adopt.
- Patient Abandonment Commonly Asked Questions Draft: Active Shooter Scenario: Request to Adopt.

**Meeting Evaluation:** Participants were permitted time to discuss meeting processes and outcomes.

**Date of Next Meeting** – December 1, 2023

Adjournment 1:01 PM