

Education Subcommittee Meeting Minutes January 31, 2024

Old Business

Holistic admissions for nursing programs-

The Washington Center for Nursing (WCN) has a link on their website with information on holistic admissions. The holistic admissions information is appropriate for nursing program deans and directors as well as students. As new information becomes available on holistic admissions, it will be posted to the WCN website. The WCN website link will be posted on the Nursing Education website under the Deans/Directors Resources.

New Business

SB 5582 1:2 Draft Simulation Rules for Nursing Education

Dr. Babbo provided an overview of process/tentative timeline for moving forward:

January 31, 2024: Draft language presented to education subcommittee. The subcommittee will consider moving forward to BON for approval.

March 8, 2024: Present the motion to the BON to approve the draft rule language and proceed with the filing of the CR-102 process.

May 2024: CR-102 filed for hearing in June or July.

Dr. Haerling explained the 1:2 simulation draft rule process and noted key adjustments were made to the draft rule language based upon input from stakeholders. Dr. Haerling also addressed common misunderstandings (e.g., simulation hours are clinical hours, not skills lab hours).

A PowerPoint presentation was delivered by Dr. Haerling explaining the context of the 1:2 simulation rule development process. Dr. Haerling then reviewed the 1:2 simulation draft rule language.

[Evidence-Based Reg. of Simulation Draft Rule PowerPoint](#)

Comments from education subcommittee included:

- The rule development process was well-articulated.
- The rule development group was responsive to comments from stakeholders.
- Congratulations to the group on use of evidence to move this work forward.
- The language evolved as the group listened to feedback from stakeholders.

The education subcommittee recommended moving the 1:2 simulation draft rule language forward to the Board of Nursing (BON) for approval at the March 8, 2024, business meeting.

The education subcommittee chair reminded participants there will be another opportunity for comment at the rules hearing tentatively planned for June or July.

Public comments:

- Do the definitions apply to 1:1 and 1:2?
- LPN, RN to BSN, and BSN programs are called out for 1:2 simulation. What about LPN to BSN programs?
- Does 10% of faculty needing to be CHSE certified include adjunct, FT, PT?
- How will the BON operationalize the process for removing approval of 1:2 simulation for programs who meet the presented criteria? Would there be an immediate removal of the approval or other timeline?
- It's understood schools have 4 years from full approval of a new program to become endorsed or accredited. Is the goal to have all programs endorsed/accredited in the future?
- Research supported 1:5 faculty to student ratio for simulation. Draft rule language allows up to 10 students with one faculty. Budgets are not allocated by the nurse administrator so administration most likely will use the 1 faculty to 10 student ratio due to a lack of understanding of simulation.
- If a faculty member is doing the operational activities, does that mean they can't evaluate the students?
- Was the faculty to student ratio one of the measured outcomes of the research studies?
- If there are two campuses for the program, does there need to be a CHSE faculty on both campuses?
- Does the simulation technician need to be CHSOS certified?
- Appreciate the group listening to feedback and rule language revisions.

Dr. Babbo reminded the group there will be a Information Reference Sheet/Frequently Asked Questions document coming when the 1:2 simulation rules are final to help programs navigate the simulation rules. The Simulation Taskforce have been asked to share resources that may be helpful to programs.

Kim thanks everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 1258.