



**Washington State Board of Nursing (WABON)  
Research Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
July 15, 2024 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**Subcommittee Members:** MaiKia Moua, RN, BSN, MPH, Chair  
Heleena Hufnagel, BS, MBA-HCA  
Sharon Ness, RN

**Absent:** Mary Baroni, PhD, RN

**Staff Present:** Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN, Director of Advanced Practice and Research  
Emma Cozart, Data Consultant  
Lohitvenkatesh Oswal, Research Assistant  
Heather Hamilton, Research Assistant

**I. 5:00 PM Opening**

- Call to Order, Introduction, Public Disclosure Statement, Roll Call
  - Maikia Moua called the meeting to order at 5:03pm and introduced the Research subcommittee and staff members. The Public Disclosure statement was read aloud for the meeting attendees.

**II. Standing Agenda Items**

- Announcements/Hot Topic/NCQAC Business Meeting Updates
- Review of Draft Minutes: April 15, 2024
  - The April 15, 2024 minutes were reviewed with consensus to bring to the WABON business meeting approval on September 13, 2024.

**III. Old Business**

- HELMS Update
  - MarySue Gorski gave an update on current progress on HELMS
- Update on Discrimination in Discipline Cases presentation (Lohitvenkatesh Oswal)
  - Lohitvenkatesh Oswal gave a debrief about presentation at the *National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers Conference*.

**IV. New Business**

- Performance Measures
  - Emma Cozart shared a summary of work progress in WABON on performance measures and model of standardized performance measures using volume, turnaround time, and customer satisfaction.
- Future Directions for the subcommittee

- The subcommittee looked at the work plan, discussed revised priorities, and updated research questions for the next year.
- The subcommittee discussed meeting bi-annually for a 2-hour period.

**IV. Ending Items**

- Public Comment
  - The public was given the opportunity to comment on the agenda items.
- Summary of Meeting
  - Maikia Moua gave a summary of the meeting.
- Date of Next Meeting – October 14, 2024
- Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm