

Washington State Board of Nursing Discipline Subcommittee MINUTES June 17, 2025 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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Committee

Sharon Ness, RN, Chair joined later

Dawn Morrell, BSN, RN excused/traveling Quiana Daniels, GCertHealthSc, BS, RN, LPN

Tiffany Randich, RN, Pro-Tem absent

Karen Joiner, MS, ARNP

Michelle Dedeo DNP, ARNP-CNS, ACCNS-AG, CCRN, CNRN, SCRN, Pro-Tem

Tracy Rude, LPN, Pro-Tem, ad hoc *absent* Adam Canary, LPN *leading in Sharon's place*

Staff: Catherine Woodard, Director, Discipline and WHPS

Karl Hoehn, JD, Assistant Director, Discipline – Legal Teresa Marquis, LPN, Complaint Intake Officer, ad hoc

Renae Powell, Case Manager

Barb Elsner, HSC

Margaret Holm, JD, RN, ad hoc

Mary Sue Gorski, PhD, RN, ARNP, Director, Research, ad hoc

Lynn Batchelder, Investigations Supervisor, ad hoc

Sue Hall, Case Manager, WRAMP

Jessilyn Dagum, policy analyst

Anthony Partirdge, Assistant Director of Regulatory Affairs

Shawn Neilson, Walla Walla

1. 3:30 pm opening – Sharon

- a. Call to order digital recording announcement
- b. Roll call of board members and staff

2. April 15, 2025 Minutes – Adam

Minutes approved to bring to the board.

3. Performance Measures - April-May 2025 - Catherine, Karl

a. Investigations: Catherine gave highlights

b. Legal: Karl highlights

c. WHPS: Catherine gave highlightsd. SUDRP: Catherine gave highlights

4. Nursing Assistant Transition Updates - Catherine, Karl

Catherine: steering committee, task committees formed. Work is beginning. Will know numbers of how many people will transfer from HSQA later in the summer or early fall. Anthony: making sure rules are aligned properly. Pretty much whole except for these things discussed below.

5. Early Remediation for Nursing Assistants- Anthony Partridge and Jessilyn Dagum

Karl: a lot of cases charged that are minor. ER could be a tool if the board would adopt ER for minor practice violations. Proposal: ER for nursing assistants as they do not have that now. Would the DSC approve us to bring to the board? These rules are currently open and would allow us to integrate into the rules. The rules would go into effect July 1, 2026. Jesslyn showed the proposed language for the rule change. Asking the DSC for a consensus to bring this to the full board for a vote. Sharon: sees this as a real positive for NAs. Karen: wonderful idea.

6. NAs in WRAMP to WHPS - Catherine, Anthony, Jessilyn

NAs are currently in WRAMP. Since we're assuming authority over NAs, they will no longer be a secretary profession. May integrate into rule making. Re the stipend, not currently covered in the stipend program. Will require legislated change. Will include this in the decision package for the 2027 session along with asking for money. Sharon: cost comparison between WHPS and WRAMP? WRAMP is lower (Sue) because of less frequent testing and lower PSG fees. It costs about half as much. Sharon: how many participants? Sue: about six NAs. Sharon: how much do NAs make? Adam: ranges from \$17 to \$32/hour. Eastern v. Western WA. Will bring this before the full board in July.

7. Work Plan - Sharon, Catherine

8. Public Comment – Sharon

a. Limited to two minutes per speaker

9. Anything For the Good of the Order? - All

a. Portion of the agenda during which members may make statements or offer observations about the character or work of the subcommittee without having any particular item of business before the meeting. Nothing noted.

10. Adjournment 1624