

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: February 10-11, 2016

LOCATION: Double Tree Hotel Sacramento
2001 Point West Way
Sacramento, CA 95815

PRESENT: Michael D. Jackson, MSN, RN, President
Raymond Mallel, Vice President
Cynthia Klein, RN
Elizabeth A. Woods, MSN, FNP, RN
Imelda Ceja-Butkiewicz
Dr. Bhavna Shamasunder, M.ES., PhD
Pilar DeLa Cruz-Reyes

NOT PRESENT: Jeanette Dong
Trande Phillips, RN

ALSO PRESENT: Stacie Berumen, Assistant Executive Officer
Christina Sprigg, Deputy Chief, Licensing and Administrative Services
Shannon Silberling, Deputy Chief, Complaint Intake and Investigations
Beth Scott, Deputy Chief, Discipline
Janette Wackerly, Supervising NEC
Miyo Minato, Supervising NEC
Leslie Moody, NEC
Susan Engle, NEC
Shelley Ward, NEC
Kay Weinkam, NEC
Elizabeth Elias, Probation Manager
Don Walker, Diversion Program Manager
Long Dau, Licensing Manager
Julie Campbell-Warnock, Research Program Specialist
Kim Ott, Decisions and Appeals Analyst
Jessica Hardwick, Decisions and Appeals Analyst
Elisa Serna, Decisions and Appeals
Michael Santiago, Legal Counsel
Jonathan Lew, Administrative Law Judge
Stanton Lee, Deputy Attorney General
Leslie Burgermyer, Deputy Attorney General

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 8:00 am Open Session; 9:00 am Board Meeting

1.0 8:00 am Open Session: Staff Presentation to Public (Board Members will not be present):

- 1.1 Overview of the Board's licensure process and process related to applicants reporting convictions.
- 1.2 Questions and Answers.

2.0 Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum

Michael Jackson, President, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. and had the members introduce themselves.

3.0 Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

No public comment.

4.0 Disciplinary Matters. Hearings on Petitions For:

<u>Reinstatements</u>	
Carrie Armstrong	Cynthia Morris
Anthony Baysa	Leslie Stavig
Selma Bemister	Troy Scott
Sharon Esters-Thames	Angelia Tabb
Teresa Kinnett	Anthony Tochtrop

No Public Comment:

Meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

5.0 Closed Session

Disciplinary Matters

The Board convened in **closed session** pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c) (3) to deliberate on the above matters and other disciplinary matters including stipulations and proposed decisions.

Michael Jackson, President, called the closed session meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. The closed session adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

6.0 Reconvene in Open Session for Purposes of Adjournment

No public comment

Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

1.0 Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum

Michael Jackson, President, called the meeting to order at 9:13 am and had the Board Members introduce themselves.

2.0 Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

No Public Comment

3.0 Review and Vote on Whether to Approve Minutes:

- November 4-5, 2015, Board Meeting Minutes
- December 11, 2015, Board Meeting Minutes

No public comment.

Motion: Elizabeth Woods made a motion that the Board approve the Minutes from both Board Meetings listed in Agenda Item 3.0.

Second: Imelda Ceja-Butkiewicz

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y-11/4-5/15 A-12/11/15	A

4.0 Report on Board Members' Activities

No Report

5.0 Board and Department Activities

5.1 Board's Budget Update

2015/2016 BRN Budget and Reserve

Governor's budget for FY 2015/2016 is \$43.4 million with 158.8 net personnel years (PYs). The Board's fund condition shows a reserve for current year 2014/2015 of 1.0 month. The remainder of the fee increases went into effect on January 1, 2016. Projected revenue from the fees increase is \$2.447 million.

Current Year AG Budget

Pursuant to the Budget Bill Language in item 110-402, and based on the FY 2015/2016 expenditure projections (58% spent thru Dec. 2015), the Board is requesting an additional augmentation of \$959,833. Assuming that enforcement costs do not exceed current projections, this augmentation request would also allow for a minimal 1 month reserve.

The Board's current year budget is going to be very tight and is being monitored to maintain the business of the Board and ensuring only necessary expenditures are being made.

5.2 Statutory Fee Bill

Louise Bailey reached out to the Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development and Assembly Business and Professions Committees to discuss initiation of a legislative fee bill for the Board of Registered Nursing.

5.3 Statement of Economic Interest, Form 700 Update

On January 27th the DCA e-mailed out the information on the electronic filing of the Form 700 to all those required to file. This will allow all board members and staff required to file online with an electronic signature. Deadline for e-filing is April 1, 2016, but the DCA has requested that everyone complete the e-filing by Friday, March 18th to ensure compliance.

Government Code section 91013 states that any person who files a Form 700 after the deadline (April 1, 2016) becomes liable in the amount of \$10 per day, up to a maximum of \$100. So please take some time to e-file your Form 700.

5.4 BRN Report Newsletter

The 2015 winter edition of the BRN Report Newsletter is now available on the BRN website. It includes BRN updates, information about recent legislative changes, overviews of BRN activities, updates on NCLEX and much more. The 2015 BRN Report can be found under the Forms/Publications tab or there is a link under the “What’s New” section, both on the homepage.

5.5 2014 – 2015 California New Graduate Hiring Survey

To better understand the employment experience of newly licensed RNs, a sixth annual statewide survey was conducted in fall 2015 through the efforts of HealthImpact (formerly the California Institute for Nursing and Health Care), the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN), the Association of California Nurse Leaders (ACNL), and the California Student Nurses Association (CSNA) with funding provided by Kaiser Permanente Northern California Patient Care Services and Kaiser Permanente Nurse Scholar Academy.

Data from the survey reports a random sample of 5,283 (50%) out of 11,566 nurses newly licensed by exam in California between September 2014 and August 2015, were invited to participate in the survey. A total of 670 nurses completed the survey for a 12% survey response rate overall. The majority of newly licensed RNs responding to the survey indicated being employed as an RN with 74.2% reported to be working in their first registered nursing job, and 25.8% not yet working as a registered nurse. This data indicates a 9.1% improvement in employment from the prior year study and an overall trend for the third consecutive year.

RN Employment within 12 Months of Licensure

Survey Conducted of nurses newly licensed in the prior 12 month period (Sept 1 and Aug 31)	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012	Fall 2013	Fall 2014	Fall 2015
Percent Employed	57.0%	57.0%	54.0%	59.3%	65.1%	74.2%

A link to the summary Report of this survey data which provides an update on employment of newly licensed RNs in California from the RNs perspective is available on the BRN website under “What’s New” or at the following link: <http://healthimpact.org/publication/new-grad-survey-2015/>

5.6 Nursing Workforce Advisory Committee

The Nursing Workforce Advisory Committee (NWAC) met on November 17, 2015 at the BRN headquarters in Sacramento. The main focus of the meeting was to review and provide recommendations for the 2016 biennial RN survey instrument. Committee members also shared recent information and data collection related to the nursing workforce in California and discussed findings that impact working RNs and RN students. Below is a list of current committee members:

- BJ Bartleson, RN, MS, NEA-BC - California Hospital Association/North
- Judee Berg, RN, MS, FACHE/Robert Patterson, DNP(c), MSN, RN – HealthImpact (formerly CINHC)
- Stephanie L. Decker, Chair - Kaiser Permanente National Patient Care Services
- Denise Duncan, BSN, RN - UNAC/UHCP
- Jeannine Graves, MPA, BSN, RN, OCN, CNOR – Sutter Medical Center
- Deloras Jones, RN, MS - Independent Consultant
- Corinne MacEgan, BSN, RN, CHPN - American Nurses Association\California
- Pat McFarland - Association of California Nurse Leaders
- Linda Onstad-Adkins - Health Workforce Development Division, OSHPD
- Tammy Rice, MSN, RN - Saddleback College
- Jane Schroeder - California Nurses Association/National Nurses United
- Joanne Spetz, Ph.D. Phillip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies UCSF

This committee was originally appointed by the Board in November 2001. The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Board members and staff of the BRN on current and projected issues affecting the nursing workforce including supply and demand, and issues affecting the ability of nurses to provide safe, accessible patient care and also to share information and data between agencies.

5.7 School Data on Website

At its September 3, 2015, Board meeting, the Board approved a format for presenting additional school and nursing program data on the BRN website per a recommendation from the Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development (BP&ED) and the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions (B&P) in response to the 2014 Sunset Review Report. The data includes institutional accreditation and individual program information regarding accreditation, attrition, and retention to better inform current and potential students as well as the general public.

All of the data, except for institutional accreditation, has historically been collected on the BRN Annual School Survey and this question was added to the 2014-2015 survey. BRN staff is currently working with University of California, San Francisco to review all of the data for accuracy, correct any errors and preparing for posting on the BRN website in the near future.

5.8 Breeze Release 2 Go Live

Release 2 of the BreEZe system was completed on January 19, 2016, and included eight DCA Boards and Bureaus. Currently there are a total of 18 Boards and Bureaus utilizing the BreEZe system. Implementation was relatively smooth and for the first week after go live BRN staff monitored work into and out of the system to ensure that functionality for the board was not affected by the implementation of the Release 2 boards. Staff continues to monitor BreEZe

activity and changes on a daily basis that could potentially affect applicants and licensees and brings any concerns to management's attention.

5.8 Public Record Requests

The BRN continues to comply with public record requests and responds within the required timeframes that are set in Government Code Section 6250. For the period of October 27, 2015 through January 27, 2016 the BRN received and processed 27 public record requests.

5.9 Personnel

NEW HIRES		
Name	Classification	Program
Kay Weinkam	Nursing Education Consultant (RA)	Administration
Luke Leslie	Special Investigator	Investigations
PROMOTIONS		
Name	Classification	Program
Andrea Hightower	Supervising Program Technician II	Call Center
Barbara De Helena	Associate Governmental Program Analyst	Discipline
John Shin	Associate Governmental Program Analyst	Probation
Christian Espiritu	Staff Services Analyst	Discipline
SEPARATIONS		
Name	Classification	Program
Fallon Adams	Youth Aid	Licensing Support
Dominique Levy	Youth Aid	Licensing Support
Kristina Levy	Youth Aid	Licensing Support
David Leyva	Youth Aid	Call Center
Ka'Lai Dillon	Youth Aid	Cashiering
Antoinette Pannell	Program Technician	Licensing Support

5.10 Licensing Program Update

The Licensing Program evaluators are currently processing the initial review of exam and endorsement applications cashiered in mid-November. The Board has received/processed 2,918 rosters from 81 California schools just for the month of December. During the month of December and January the focused was on processing the rosters and it has now shifted to evaluating the transcripts for those 81 California schools.

The Board is actively recruiting for eight positions in the Licensing Unit; two fulltime Staff Services Analyst (International Evaluator), two limited term Program Technician II (US Evaluator) and four limited term Program Technician (Support staff). These positions will be

dedicated to ensure that processing timeframes are being maintained within our statutory timeframes. I expect to have these positions filled by the end of March.

We continue to improve processes within the Licensing Program and project the Endorsement applications to be our next application to be released online. Once an applicant has created a BreEZe profile they can apply and pay for the Endorsement application which is in the development/testing phase and expected to be released this year.

Board staff continues to participate in the BreEZe Reporting User Group in order to create and implement a comprehensive statistical report. However the Department has been working on a new reporting system named Quality Business Interactive Reporting Tool (QBIRT) which is a web based reporting tool that will provide on-demand data reports/queries. The Board expects QBIRT to be released by the middle of this year.

5.11 NCLEX Pass Rate Update

The Board of Registered Nursing receives quarterly reports from the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) about the NCLEX-RN test results by quarter and with an annual perspective. The following tables show this information for the last 12 months and by each quarter.

NCLEX RESULTS – FIRST TIME CANDIDATES

January 1, 2015-December 31, 2015*

JURISDICTION	TOTAL TAKING TEST	PERCENT PASSED %
California*	11,104	86.86
United States and Territories	157,955	84.51

CALIFORNIA NCLEX RESULTS – FIRST TIME CANDIDATES

By Quarters and Year January 1, 2015-December 31, 2015*

1/01/15- 3/31/15		4/01/15- 6/30/15		7/01/15- 9/30/15		10/01/15- 12/31/15		1/01/15- 12/31/15	
# cand.	% pass	# cand.	% pass	# cand.	% pass	# cand.	% pass	# cand.	% pass
2,913	86.99	2,448	86.36	4,000	88.20	1,743	84.28	11,104	86.86

*Includes (1), (3), (0) and (4) "re-entry" candidates.

2016 NCLEX-RN Test Plan and Passing Standard: The detailed versions (Candidate and Educator) of the 2016 NCLEX-RN Test Plan are now available on the NCSBN website at www.ncsbn.org. The 2016 NCLEX-RN Test Plan is effective April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019. The NCLEX-RN Passing Standard will remain at the current level of 0.00 logit that was instituted April 1, 2013. This passing standard will remain effective through 3.31. 2019. A logit is a unit of measurement to report relative differences between candidate ability estimates and exam item difficulties.

Nursing Programs were notified of the above info via e-blast and this information will be included in the upcoming BRN Newsletter.

Nursing Education Consultants (NECs) monitor the NCLEX results of their assigned programs. If a program's first time pass rate is below 75% pass rate for an academic year (July 1-June 30), the NEC sends the program written notification of non-compliance (CCR 1431) and requests the program submit a written assessment and corrective action plan to improve results. The NEC will summarize the program's report for NCLEX improvement for the ELC/Board meetings per the Licensing Examination Passing Standard EDP-I-29 document approved 11/6/13. If a second consecutive year of substandard performance occurs, a continuing approval visit will be scheduled within six months, and the NEC's continuing approval visit findings reported to ELC with program representatives in attendance.

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NCLEX-RN Pass Rates First Time Candidates
Comparison of National US Educated and CA Educated Pass Rates
By Degree Type

Academic Year July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016

Academic Year July 1-June 30 [^]	July-Sept #Tested % Pass	Oct-Dec #Tested % Pass	Jan-Mar #Tested % Pass	April-June #Tested %Pass	[^] 2015-2016 Cumulative Totals
National US Educated- All degree types*	52,295 (83.2)	14,555 (74.8)			
CA Educated- All degree types*	3,989 (88.2)	1,743 (84.2)			
National-Associate Degree rates**	26,948 (81.5)	7,986 (69.5)			
CA-Associate Degree rates**	2,201 (88.2)	777 (80.9)			
National-BSN+ELM rates**/***	23,882 (85.0)	6,201 (81.6)			
CA-BSN+ELM rates**/***	1,788 (88.2)	962 (86.9)			

*National rate for All Degree types includes four categories of results: Diploma, AD, BSN+ELM, and Special Codes. Use of the Special Codes category may vary from state to state. In CA, the Special Codes category is most commonly used for re-entry candidates such as eight year retake candidates wishing to reinstate an expired license per CCR 1419.3(b). The CA aggregate rate for the All degree types includes AD, BSN+ELM, and Special Codes but no diploma program rates since there are no diploma programs in CA. CA rates by specific degree type exclude special code counts since these are not reported by specific degree type.

**National and CA rates reported by specific degree type include only the specific results for the AD or BSN+ELM categories.

***ELM program rates are included in the BSN degree category by NCSBN.

^Note: Cumulative totals in this report may vary from quarterly totals due to quarter by quarter NCSBN corrections. Typically, the NCSBN corrections have not significantly changed from previously reported quarterly pass rate info. The 2016 NCLEX RN Test Plan and Passing Standard of 0.00 logit will be effective through 3/31/19.

Source: National Council of State Boards Pass Rate Reports

No Public Comment

6.0 Report of the Administrative Committee

Michael Jackson, President, Chairperson

6.1 Update from Executive Officer Selection Committee

No Public Comment

7.0 Report of the Education/Licensing Committee

Michael Jackson, MSN, RN, Chairperson

7.1 Vote on Whether to Ratify Minor Curriculum Revision

BACKGROUND

According to Board policy, Nursing Education Consultants may approve minor curriculum changes that do not significantly alter philosophy, objectives, or content. Approvals must be reported to the Education/Licensing Committee and the Board.

Minor Curriculum revisions include the following categories:

Curriculum changes	Public Health Nurse (PHN) certificate programs
Work Study programs	Progress reports that are not related to continuing approval
Preceptor programs	Approved Nurse Practitioner program adding a category of specialization

The following programs have submitted minor curriculum revisions that have been approved by the NECs:

- Nursing Programs
- Evergreen Valley College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Kaplan College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Santa Barbara City College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- University of San Diego Hahn School of Nursing and Beyster Institute for Nursing Research Nurse Practitioner Program
- University of San Francisco Nurse Practitioner Program

Acknowledge Receipt of Program Progress Report:

- American University of Health Sciences Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
- California State University, San Marcos Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program and ABSN Option
- University of San Diego Hahn School of Nursing and Beyster Institute for Nursing Research Entry Level Master's Degree Nursing Program, Nurse Practitioner Program, Clinical Nurse Specialist Program
- United States University Entry Level Master's Degree Nursing Program
- Cabrillo College Associate Degree Nursing Program

- Los Angeles Trade-Tech College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Mt. San Jacinto, MVC Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Porterville College Associate Degree Nursing Program

No Public Comment

Motion: Michael Jackson made a motion to ratify approval of minor curriculum revisions and acknowledge receipt of programs' progress reports.

Second: Elizabeth Woods

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

7.2 Vote on Whether to Approve Education/Licensing Committee Recommendations

Leslie Moody, NEC presented this report.

The Education/Licensing Committee met on January 14, 2016 and makes the following recommendations:

Continue Approval of Prelicensure Nursing Program

- San Diego State University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
- Evergreen Valley College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Los Angeles Harbor College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Reedley College at Madera Community College Center LVN-RN Associate Degree Nursing Program

Continue Defer Action to Continue Approval of Prelicensure Nursing Program

- Fresno City College Associate Degree Nursing Program

No public comment.

Motion: Michael Jackson made a motion to:

Continue Approval of Prelicensure Nursing Program

- San Diego State University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
- Evergreen Valley College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Los Angeles Harbor College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Reedley College at Madera Community College Center LVN-RN Associate Degree Nursing Program

Defer Action to Continue Approval of Prelicensure Nursing Program

- Fresno City College Associate Degree Nursing Program

Second: Cynthia Klein

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

7.3 Vote on Whether to Recommend Continuation of Approval of Advance Practice Nursing Programs

BACKGROUND: The Education/Licensing Committee met on January 14, 2016 and makes the following recommendations:

- Continue Approval of Advance Practice Nursing Program
- San Diego State University Nurse Midwifery Program
 - San Diego State University Nurse Practitioner Program

No public comment.

Motion: Michael Jackson made a motion to:

- Continue Approval of Advance Practice Nursing Program
- San Diego State University Nurse Midwifery Program
 - San Diego State University Nurse Practitioner Program

Second: Elizabeth Woods

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

7.4. Vote on Whether to Recommend Approval of Major Curriculum Revision

BACKGROUND: The Education/Licensing Committee met on January 14, 2016 and makes the following recommendation:

- Approve Major Curriculum Revision
- Unitek College LVN-RN Associate Degree Nursing Program (change to generic, increase enrollment)

The Education/Licensing Committee met on January 14, 2016 and makes the following recommendations:

APPROVE MAJOR CURRICULUM REVISION

Dr. Christy Torkildson, Program Director.

Unitek College, founded in 1992, is a proprietary school based in Fremont, California. Initial approval for the LVN to RN program was granted February 16, 2007 and the first cohort was admitted in March 2007. The program submitted a major curriculum revision proposal to continue the LVN-RN program and to add a generic Associate Degree Registered Nursing Program. The change is planned to take place May 2016. The generic ADN program will be four (4) semesters with each semester being seventeen (17) weeks. The program requests the addition of two cohorts of 40 students each for the generic program and the continuation of the advanced placement LVN to RN enrollments of 120 students per year, with three starts per year. The total number of students planned will be 200. Benner's theoretical framework simple to complex and the integration of theory with clinical concept-based competencies, BRN standards of competent performance, QSEN, nursing process and physical, behavioral, and social aspects of human development and

Jean Watson's Theory of Caring will be threaded through the program. The philosophy, goals, and objectives focus and intent will not change.

The program received letters of support from the respective clinical facilities. The program has submitted facility approval forms for the additional clinical needs for the generic program. The generic program will utilize extended care and sub-acute clinical settings for first and second semester to meet the program objectives. The generic program third and fourth semesters will utilize facilities that are used currently for the LVN-RN program. The program plans to teach out the current LVN to RN cohorts using the current curriculum and start new cohorts with the new curriculum. Advanced Placement students pay \$42,000 inclusive of all fees, books, supplies, uniforms and licensing fees. The planned tuition for the generic associate degree nursing program is ~\$68,000, all inclusive. The program is scheduled for a regular continuing approval visit Fall 2016.

School	2010/2011		2011/2012		2012/2013		2013/2014		2014/2015	
	Taken	% Pass								
Unitek College	2	5.61%	1	1.48%	1	1.55%	2	3.17%	5	5.58%

- Simpson University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program (increase enrollment)
 - Recommendation regarding the Major Curriculum Revision proposal for Simpson University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program (increase enrollment) was deferred with additional information to be reviewed at a future meeting.

- Golden West College Associate Degree Nursing Program (curriculum)
 - Golden West College Associate Degree Nursing Program (curriculum) was not presented and was removed from the ELC agenda.

No Public Comments

Motion: Michael Jackson made a motion to:

Approve of Major Curriculum Revision

- Simpson University Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Program
- Golden West College Associate Degree Nursing Program
- Unitek College LVN-RN Associate Degree Nursing Program

Second: Pilar De La Cruz-Reyes

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

7.5 Vote on Whether to Accept Staff Plan for Implementation of SB466 Requirements Regarding Education Regulations

Miyo Minato, NEC and Leslie Moody, NEC presented this report.

BACKGROUND: SB466 approved by the Governor and filed with the Secretary of State on October 4th (see attachment for full text) contains amendments to the Business and Professions Code requiring action for regulation and processes affecting prelicensure nursing education. Section 2786.1 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read in part:

(a) The board shall deny the application for approval made by, and shall revoke the approval given to, any school of nursing that does not give student applicants credit in the field of nursing for military education and experience by the use of challenge examinations or other methods of evaluation.

(b) The board shall adopt regulations by January 1, 2017, requiring schools to have a process to evaluate and grant credit for military education and experience. ...

(c) The board shall review a school's policies and practices regarding granting credit for military education and experience at least once every five years to ensure consistency in evaluation and application across schools. The board shall post on its Internet Web site information related to the acceptance of military coursework and experience at each approved school.

Attached are draft proposed regulatory language and a proposed timeline of required activities that will ensure compliance with requirements of SB466 in regards to nursing education.

ELC Recommendation: Authorize BRN staff to perform the following

- regarding (a) and (b): Staff will initiate the rulemaking process for regulation to operationalize the new statutory requirements which will include circulator of draft language to stakeholders for review/input, convene public hearing, and other required activities. Staff may make nonsubstantive revisions to draft regulatory language in response to stakeholder input.
- regarding (c): Inform Nursing Education Consultants of requirement for review of policies/practices related to school granting credit for military education and experience as part of scheduled program approval activities.
Require BRN-approved nursing programs to post information related to the acceptance of military Course work and experience at their school on their webpage reached via the link provided on the BRN website approved programs list. Deadline for nursing programs to meet this requirement will be January 1, 2017.

Information regarding the above was informally disseminated to interested parties and stakeholders including statewide program deans/directors to obtain preliminary input for consideration of the Board.

No Public Comments

Motion: Michael Jackson made a motion to Accept Staff Plan for Implementation of SB-466 Requirements Regarding Education Regulations.

Second: Pilar De La Cruz-Reyes

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

7.6 2014-2015 Annual School Survey Reports (Draft)

Julie Campbell-Warnock presented this report.

Background: The BRN 2014-2015 Annual School Survey was conducted from October 1, 2015 to November 16, 2015. The survey was sent to all California pre-licensure nursing programs and was conducted on behalf of the BRN by the Center for the Health Professions at the University of California, San Francisco. The BRN would like to thank all of the schools for their participation and prompt responses to the survey and the Education Issues Workgroup for contributing their time and assistance on the survey document and reviewing reports.

BRN and UCSF staff work each year with nursing program directors who make up the Workgroup, representing various prelicensure programs from around the state who review and edit the survey questions if needed. This allows the survey to be a current document that can be used to capture data on new and emerging trends.

The draft of the statewide Annual School Reports includes data on new and continuing student enrollments, graduations, faculty, etc. from California pre-licensure nursing programs. There are two reports; one is a trend report which includes historical data for the past ten years on some of the more significant data and the second includes current year detailed data from most all of the questions asked on the survey.

No public comment and no motion required.

8.0 Report of the Legislative Committee

Imelda Ceja-Butkiewicz, Chairperson

8.1 Discuss Bills of Interest to the Board and Recommend that the Board Adopt or Modify Positions on the Bills, and any other Bills of Interest to the Board Introduced During the 2015-2016 Legislative Session

Kay Weinkam, NEC presented this report.

Assembly Bills

Senate Bills

AB 12	SB 319
AB 26	SB 323
AB 85	SB 390
AB 172	SB 408
AB 611	SB 464
AB 637	SB 466
AB 840	SB 467
AB 1060	SB 482
AB 1306	SB 531
AB 1351	SB 800
AB 1352	
AB 1386	

2014-2015 bills that were presented were not adopted or modified as bills have been vetoed or chaptered, as follows:

Bill No: AB 85 (Wilke)
Subject: Open Meetings
Bill Status: Vetoed – September 28, 2015

Bill No: AB 172 (Rodriguez)
Subject: Emergency Departments: Assaults and Batteries
Bill Status: Vetoed - October 10, 2015

Bill No: AB 637 (Campos)
Subject: Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment Forms
Bill Status: Chapter 217, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: AB 1351 (Eggmen)
Subject: Deferred Entry of Judgment Pretrial Diversion
Bill Status: Vetoed – October 8, 2015

Bill No: AB 1352 (Eggman)
Subject: Deferred Entry of Judgment Withdrawal of Plea
Bill Status: Chapter 646, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB 319 (Beall)
Subject: Child Welfare Services: Public Health Nursing
Bill Status: Chapter 535, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB 408(Morrell)
Subject: Midwife Assistants
Bill Status: Chapter 280, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB464 (Hernandez)
Subject: Healing Arts: Self-Reporting Tools
Bill Status: Chapter 387, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB 466 (Hill)
Subject: Nursing: Board of Registered Nursing
Bill Status: Chapter 489, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB 467 (Hill)
Subject: Professions and Vocations
Bill Status: Chapter 656, Statutes of 2015

Bill No: SB 800 (Committee on Business and Professions and Economic Development)
Subject: Healing Arts
Bill Status: Chapter 426, Statutes of 2015

AB 26 (Jones-Sawyer) Medical Cannabis

No Public comment:

Motion: Raymond Mallel made a motion that the Board Watch AB 26.

Second: Cynthia Klein

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

AB1386 (Low) Emergency Medical Care: Epinephrine auto- injectors

No Public Comment:

Motion: Imelda Ceja-Butkiewicz made a motion that the Board Watch AB1386.

Second: Elizabeth Woods

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.0 Report of the Intervention/Discipline Committee

Cynthia Klein, RN, Chairperson

9.1 Complaint Intake and Investigations Update

Shannon Silberling, Deputy Chief, Complaint Intake and Investigations presented this report.

PROGRAM UPDATES

COMPLAINT INTAKE:

Staff

We have filled our 12 month limited term Associate Governmental Program Analyst position. It was filled with a Complaint Intake Staff Services Analyst (SSA). The SSA is now being recruited for as a limited term position.

Program

Complaint intake continues to work new complaints, ensuring cases are moving to investigations in a timely manner and that aging cases are worked as a priority.

We have one analyst that is working with the Department of Consumer Affairs (Department) BreEZe team and is involved in the Reports User Group, as well as the Enforcement User Group.

The Controlled Substance Utilization Review & Evaluation System (CURES) had a soft launch July 1, 2015. CURES 2.0 is being rolled out over the next couple months. The BRN continues to work closely with the Department's Executive team and the Department of Justice (DOJ) to ensure its success.

INVESTIGATIONS:

Staff

We are currently fully staffed in both Northern and Southern California.

Program

Division of Investigation (DOI) has begun the quarterly Managers' Enforcement Consortium and we had our second meeting on September 28, 2015, with guest speakers from the AG's office.

We continue to assign cases based on the Department's Consumer Protection Enforcement Initiative (CPEI). As of October 27, 2015, there were approximately 37 BRN cases over one year old that are still open and there are approximately 21 DOI cases over one year old that are still open.

Investigative staff continues to attend Task Force meetings and develop working relationships with allied agencies.

Statistics

BRN Investigations	April 2015	May 2015	June 2015	July 2015	August 2015	September 2015
Total cases assigned	344	342	329	330	345	373
Total cases unassigned (pending)	162	153	166	176	179	121
Average days to case completion	215	214	247	238	232	275
Average cost per case	\$3,180	\$3,280	\$2,810	\$2,849	\$2,632	\$3,448
Cases closed	57	41	51	44	45	52
Division of Investigations	April 2015	May 2015	June 2015	July 2015	August 2015	September 2015
Total cases assigned	298	290	311	297	327	328
Total cases unassigned (pending)	38	53	36	49	60	71
Average days to case completion	271	271	326	325	253	302
Average cost per case	\$5,124	\$5,896	\$7,028	\$6,064	\$4,801	\$5,389
Cases closed	54	38	40	55	16	28

Investigators are focused on clearing all aging cases.

No Public comment:

9.2 **Discipline, Probation, and Intervention Update and Statistics**

Beth Scott, Deputy Chief, Discipline, Probation and Intervention Units presented this report.

Staffing

Elizabeth Elias has been appointed to Probation Program Manager effective December 2015. Prior to her promotion to manager, she was a probation monitor and has been with the Board since 2008.

The probation monitor vacancy is now filled by John Shin who has been with the Board since 2014, and worked in the licensing unit. John started with the unit on February 1, 2016.

Program – Discipline

The Discipline Unit is working with the Attorney General's (AG) office to complete our cases in a timely manner and streamline our processes for efficiency.

Statistics - Discipline

Below reflects FY 14/15 (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015) discipline statistics:

Decisions Adopted	1,578
Pleadings served	1,067
Petitions to Revoke Probation served	104
Surrenders signed by E. O.	291

Below reflects FY 15/16 (July 1, 2015 – February 1, 2016) discipline statistics:

Decisions Adopted	785
Pleadings served	669
Petitions to Revoke Probation served	44
Surrenders signed by E. O.	130

The BRN continues to work with the DCA BreEZe team to verify the accuracy of the performance measures statistics.

Program - Probation

The probation unit recently contributed to the re-design of the DCA-Enforcement Academy which should be available next spring. It is anticipated the BRN staff will train the probation module of the academy.

Statistics - Probation

Statistics – July 1, 2015 to January 29, 2016

Probation Data	Numbers	% of Active
Male	323	29%
Female	791	71%
Chemical Dependency	734	65.9%
Required Drug-Screening	585	52.5%
Practice	273	24.5%
Mental Health	6	0.5%
Conviction - excluding chemical dependency/alcohol use	101	9.1%
Advanced Certificates	105	9%
Southern California	628	56%
Northern California	480	43%
Pending AG - Tolled	6	1%
Pending AG	80	7%
License Revoked Fiscal YTD	29	

License Surrendered Fiscal YTD	45
Terminated Fiscal YTD	27
Successfully Completed Fiscal YTD	79
Active In-State Probationers	1,114
Completed/Revoked/Terminated/Surrendered YTD	180
Tolled Probationers	318
Active and Tolled Probationers	1,432

The average case load per probation monitor is approximately 123. Currently there are 35 Early Termination and 7 Modification of Probation cases waiting to be heard by the Board.

9.3 Intervention Program Update and Statistics

Don Walker, Program Manager presented this report.

Staffing

The Intervention unit filled the vacant Office Technician position with an internal transfer from the licensing unit.

Program Update

Effective January 1, 2016, Pursuant to Senate Bill 800, the official name of the Diversion Program changed to the Intervention Program. In preparation of the name change, Intervention staff worked diligently to update the program's policies, correspondence documents and website to reflect the program's new name.

CPS HR Consulting has conducted a contract and performance audit of MAXIMUS, the Intervention program's contractor. A draft audit report has been submitted to DCA for review of the audits findings and recommendations.

On November 4, 2015, Intervention staff and Virginia Matthews, MAXIMUS Project Manager provided an educational Intervention Program presentation for the Los Angeles County University of Southern California Medical Center Nursing Leadership's Management Team. The presentation was well attended and the attendees indicated they appreciated the opportunity to learn about the Diversion Program and its role in public protection.

On November 19, 2015, Intervention staff and Virginia Matthews, MAXIMUS Project Manager conducted a presentation for the Association of Kern County Nurse Leaders (AKCNL). An important takeaway to this presentation was that irrespective of ones position in the nursing community whether its management or rank and file, no one is immune to substance use disorders and/or mental illness.

On December 2, 2015, MAXIMUS staff conducted a presentation at California State University of Sacramento (CSUS) to 77 Public Health Nursing students regarding substance use disorders, mental illness and how the Intervention program provides assistance for nurses in need.

On February 3, 2016, Intervention staff and Virginia Matthews, Maximus Project Manager conducted an outreach presentation to the Nursing Leadership Group at Sharp Memorial Hospital in San Diego. The presentation focused on the nature, progression, and prevalence of Substance Use Disorders and how to identify signs of medication diversion in the healthcare setting.

Intervention Evaluation Committees (IEC)

There are currently two physician member vacancies at this time. One vacancy is in Burbank (IEC 8), and the second vacancy is in North Central (IEC 12).

There are currently four RN member vacancies at this time, one in Sacramento (IEC 1)*, one in Orange County (IEC 4), one in Burbank (IEC 8) and one in Santa Ana (IEC 14)*.

There are currently two Public Member vacancies at this time. One vacancy is in Los Angeles (IEC 3)*, and the second is in Ontario (IEC 9)*

***Asterisk denotes pending committee recommendation for Board approval of IEC members included in Agenda Item 9.3.1**

Statistics – Diversion

The Statistical Summary Report for September 1, 2015, through November 30, 2015, is after this update. As of November 30, 2015, there were 2,020 successful completions.

No public comment.

BOARD OF REGISTERED
NURSING DIVERSION
PROGRAM STATISTICAL
SUMMARY

September 1, 2015 - November 30, 2015

	CURRENT MONTHS	YEAR TO DATE (FY)	PROGRAM TO DATE
INTAKES COMPLETED	37	56	5,061
INTAKE INFORMATION			
Female	26	40	3,950
Male	11	16	1,084
Unknown	0	0	27
Average Age	35-64		
Most Common Worksite	Unemployed		
Most Common Specialty	Critical Care		
Most Common Substance Abused	Alcohol/Opiates		
PRESENTING PROBLEM AT INTAKE			
Substance Abuse (only)	16	25	3,177
Mental Illness (only)	3	4	166
Dual Diagnosis	16	25	1,637
Undetermined	2	2	81
REFERRAL TYPE*			
Board	28	45	3,724
Self	9	11	1,337
*May change after Intake			
ETHNICITY (IF KNOWN) AT INTAKE			
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	39
Asian/Asian Indian	3	4	118
African American	3	3	163
Hispanic	2	2	214
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	1	28
Caucasian	26	44	4,157
Other	2	2	76
Not Reported	0	0	266
CLOSURES			
Successful Completion	19	30	2,020
Failure to Derive Benefit	0	0	121
Failure to Comply	3	4	975
Moved to Another State	0	0	52
Not Accepted by DEC	1	1	59
Voluntary Withdrawal Post-DEC	0	1	332
Voluntary Withdrawal Pre-DEC	2	4	517
Participant Withdrawn-Failure to sign con	0	0	1
Closed Public Risk	7	13	337
No Longer Eligible	1	1	17
Clinically Inappropriate	0	2	32
Client Expired	0	0	40
Sent to Board Pre-DEC	1	1	2
TOTAL CLOSURES	34	57	4,505
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 429 (as of November 30, 2015)			

9.3.1 Intervention Evaluation Committee Members/ New Appointments, Reappointments, Transfers & Resignations

Don Walker, Program Manager presented this report.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with B & P Code Section 2770.2, the Board of Registered Nursing is responsible for appointing persons to serve on the Intervention Evaluation Committees. Each Committee for the Intervention Program is composed of three registered nurses, a physician and a public member with expertise in substance use disorders and/or mental health.

APPOINTMENTS

Below are the names of the candidates who are being recommended for appointment to the Intervention Evaluation Committees (IEC). Their applications and résumés are attached. If appointed, their terms will expire June 30, 2020.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>IEC</u>	<u>NO</u>
Darryl Levine	Public Member	Los Angeles	3
Cynthia Schick	Public Member	Ontario	9
Wendy Prothro	RN	Santa Ana	14

RESIGNATIONS

Below are the names of the IEC members who have resigned.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>IEC</u>	<u>NO</u>
Tonia Jones	RN	Santa Ana	14
Bill Frantz	RN	Sacramento	1
Rodney Collins	MD	Burbank	8

TRANSFERS

Below are the names of the IEC members who are being recommended for transfer.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>FROM IEC #</u>	<u>TO IEC #</u>
David Aust	RN	Bay Area #2	Sacramento #1
Sara Cardiner	RN	Burbank #8	Bay Area #2

No public comment.

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to accept the new Appointments Darryl Levine, Cynthia Schick, and Wendy Prothro to the Intervention Evaluation Committee.

Second: Raymond Mallel

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to approve the transfers of David Aust and Sara Cardiner.
Second: Michael Jackson

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.3.2 Intervention Program Policy Revisions submitted at September 24, 2015, Diversion Liaison Committee Meeting

BACKGROUND:

On September 24, 2015, voting member attendees at last year’s annual Diversion Liaison Committee meeting unanimously voted in favor of approving one new policy (*) and revising eight of the existing Intervention program policies. The purposes of the new and revised policies are to strengthen the program, increase administrative flexibility, and provide added consumer protection.

Policies

- Intervention Evaluation Committee Applicant Criteria (DIV-F-02)
- Intervention Program Transition Phase Minimum Monitoring Parameters (DIV-P-06)
- Intervention Program Criteria for Approval of Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-11)
- Board of Registered Nursing Procedures for Investigation of Complaints Against Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-15)

The following policies will be presented for Discussion at the March 10, 2016, Intervention Discipline Committee meeting:

- Intervention Program Criteria for Successful Completion (DIV-P-08)
- Nurse Support Group Facilitator/Co-Facilitator Procedural Requirements (DIV-P-10)
- Intervention Program Criteria for Successful Completion: Mental Health (DIV-P-13)
- Intervention Program Criteria for Selection of Treatment Providers (DIV-P-17)
- *Consequences for Intervention Program Violations (DIV-P-31)

No public Comment.

9.3.3 Intervention Evaluation Committee Applicant Criteria (DIV-F-02)

BACKGROUND:

Intervention Program staff proposes revising the Intervention Evaluation Committee applicant criteria to include a five (5) year recovery requirement. There currently is no recovery criteria so this revision will serve to reinforce the integrity of the program and provide a greater level of public safety. In addition, this will be consistent with the current five (5) year recovery requirement of Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators.

No public comment.

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to accept the policy on Intervention Evaluation Committee Applicant Criteria (DIV-F-02).

Second: Michael Jackson

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.3.4 Intervention Program Transition Phase Minimum Monitoring Parameters (DIV-P-06)

BACKGROUND:

Intervention staff proposes revising language in the above listed policy to reflect requirements that participants in the transition phase of the Intervention Program do the following:

- Participants will be in the Transition phase of the program for a minimum of one year (1) as opposed to “a period of time” as currently noted in (DIV-P-06). This will eliminate any confusion and ensure a consistent minimum duration.
- Requiring participants to complete an approved relapse prevention workbook. This was not a requirement, but has been intermittently requested by the Intervention Program Committee (IEC). It is the IEC’s position that a relapse prevention workbook is of great value to the participants and will serve to strengthen the program.
- Submission of quarterly work-site monitors reports. This revision is an update as reports were formerly submitted monthly, but are now required quarterly.
- Attend Nurse Support Group meetings as approved by the IEC. Participants were formerly not required to attend Nurse Support Group in Transition.
- Attend 12-step meetings as approved by the Intervention Evaluation Committee. Participants were formerly not required to attend 12-step meetings in Transition.

No public Comment

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to accept the policy on Intervention Program Transition Phase Minimum Monitoring Parameters (DIV-F-06).

Second: Pilar De La Cruz-Reyes

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.3.5 Intervention Program Criteria for Approval of Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-11/Attached)

BACKGROUND:

Intervention staff proposes revising language in the above listed policy to give the Board flexibility to increase the pool of qualified candidates.

The proposed changes will allow a Registered Nurse or an individual that is certified by the state or other nationally certified organization with three (3) years of stated experience to be considered for appointment.

No public comment

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to accept the policy on Intervention Program Criteria for Approval of Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-11).

Second: Michael Jackson

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.3.6 Board of Registered Nursing Procedures for Investigation of Complaints Against Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-15)

BACKGROUND:

Intervention staff proposes revising language in the above listed policy to streamline the procedure for investigation of complaints against Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators. In addition, language has been added outlining causes that may result in the Intervention Program Manager rescinding the approval of the Facilitators/Co-Facilitators.

No public comment

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to accept the policy on Board of Registered Nursing Procedures for investigation of Complaints Against Nurse Support Group Facilitators/Co-Facilitators (DIV-P-15/Attached)

Second: Michael Jackson

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

9.4 Vote on whether to recommend approval of modified Regulatory Proposal to Modify the Recommended Guidelines for Disciplinary Orders and Conditions of Probation in California Code of Regulations, Article 1, Section 1444.5, Disciplinary Guidelines
Stacie Berumen, Assistant Executive Officer presented this report.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) approved a regulatory package to amend the Recommended Guidelines for Disciplinary Orders and Conditions of Probation (Guidelines) at its June 4, 2015 board meeting. The Recommended Guidelines for Disciplinary Orders were last amended in 2003. BRN staff reviewed the Guidelines prior to the overhaul of the board members in 2010 and a regulatory proposal was initiated in March 2011 to incorporate the Uniform Standards as required by SB 1441; however, the board was sunset in December 2011 and the regulatory proposal was not acted upon by the board in time.

The language approved by the board at its June 2015 board meeting was reviewed by DCA Legal Counsel who suggested modifying the language. Attached you will find the suggested language as modified by DCA Legal Counsel for your consideration and approval.

No public comment.

Motion: Cynthia Klein made a motion to defer action on item 9.4 until the April 13, 2016 Board Meeting.

Second: Imelda Ceja-Butkiewicz

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

10.0 Report of the Nursing Practice Committee

Trande Phillips, RN, Chairperson

10.1 Review and Comment on Proposed Language for Article 8 Standards of Nurse Practitioner Practice: Office of Administrative Law’s Pre-notice Public Discussion

BACKGROUND

The Practice Committee received three (3) letters (attached)

1. October 22, 2015 letter from professor and director of the Family Nurse Practitioner Program at Western University
2. December 20, 2015 University of San Diego 5 NP student letter
3. December 20, 2015 University of San Diego 3 NP student letter

At the October 8, 2015 Nursing Practice Committee the following organization provided oral and written comments in agreement with updating Proposed Language for Article 8 Standards for Nurse Practitioner Practice: California Action Coalition, California Association for Nurse Practitioners, California Hospital Association, Association of California Nurse Leaders, and Western University of Health Science-Education Perspectives. The California Nurses Association provided written opposition, as specified, to the Proposed Language for Article 8, Standards for Nurse Practitioner Practice.

All letters have been attached to this agenda item.

The Board invites interested parties to submit information/responses regarding the Proposed Language for Article 8 Standards of Nurse Practitioner Practice language to the following Nursing Practice Committee and Board at the following meetings. (Attached)

January 14, 2016

Practice Committee

Committee Meetings will follow in sequence, approximate time 1:00 pm

Hilton Sacramento Arden West

February 11, 2016

Board Meeting

Doubletree by Hilton Sacramento

March 16, 2016
Practice Committee South

April 14, 2016
Board Meeting South

Staff requests information/responses that will be presented at the above committee/board meetings be submitted prior or at time of meeting in writing to:

Janette Wackerly RN, BSN, MBA
Board of Registered Nursing
1747 North Market Blvd., Ste. 150
Sacramento, CA 95834

Public comment:
Donna Emanuele, CANP,
Dr. Liz Dietz, Director of Legislation for ANA-C
Vicki Houle, CANP
Linda Walsh, CNMA
Janet Hendrickson, CANP
Jane Schroeder, CNA

No action required.

- 10.2 **[Http://coalitionccc.org/POLSTeducation](http://coalitionccc.org/POLSTeducation) or contact Coalition for Compassionate Care of California regarding Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST) signed by Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant acting under the supervision of the physician. Revised POLST form January 1, 2016**
Janette Wackerly, Supervising NEC presented this report.

BACKGROUND

Coalition for Compassionate Care of California provides information regarding changes to the POLST form, where to order POLST from Med-Pass, previous versions of POLST will still be honored and best practice is to use POLST 2016 form, the POLST form in other languages with translations will be available to download from California Coalition for Compassionate Care of California January 11, 2016

Healthcare professionals with questions about POLST are encouraged to connect with their local POLST Coalition, or contact Coalition for Compassionate Care of California at 1331 Garden Highway, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833 or e-mail kscholl@coalitionccc.org.

No Public comment:

Motion: Michal Jackson made a motion to accept the revised POLST form.
Second: Raymond Mallel

Votes	MJ	EW	RM	BS	IC-B	CK	PD-R
	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N

10.3 Information Only: Emergency Medical Services Authority regulations for lay rescuer epinephrine auto-injector training certification standards
 Janette Wackerly, Supervising NEC presented this report.

BACKGROUND

The Emergency Medical Services Authority announces that the *lay rescuer epinephrine auto-injector training certification standards* regulations were approved by the Office of Administrative Law on October 16, 2015 and became effective January 1, 2016.

On January 1, 2016 the EMS Authority can begin reviewing and approving training programs to provide training and certification for the administration of epinephrine auto-injectors to lay rescuers and off-duty EMS personnel.

Certification from an approved training program will allow a layperson or off-duty EMS personnel to obtain a prescription for and administer an epinephrine auto-injector for use on a person experiencing anaphylaxis, with civil liability protection, when acting in good faith and not for compensation.

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 Emergency Medical Services Authority
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No public comment or action required.

10.4 Information Only: RN Role Reimagined –How Empowering Registered Nurses Can Improve Primary Care by California Healthcare Foundation August 2015
 Janette Wackerly, Supervising NEC presented this report.

BACKGROUND:

About the Authors: The Center for Excellence in Primary Care (CEPC) is a research and policy center within the University of California, San Francisco, Department of Family and Community Medicine.

About the Foundation: The California Foundation (CHCF) is leading the way to better health care for all Californians. CHCF informs policymakers and industry leaders, invests in ideas and innovations and connects with change makers to create a more responsive, patient-centered health care system.

Strategies for Changing the RN Role (Please read the attachment for CHCF report)

1. Provide RNs with additional training in primary care skills, so they can make more clinical decisions
2. Empower RNs to make more clinical decisions, using standardized procedures

3. Reduce the triage burden of RNs to free up time for other responsibilities
4. Include RNs on care teams, allowing them to focus on their team's patients
5. Implement RN-led new patient visits to increase patient access to care
6. Offer patients co-visits in which RN conduct most of the visit, with provider joining in at the end
7. Deploy RNs as "tactical nurses"
8. Provide patient with RN-led chronic care management visits
9. Employ RNs' skills to care manage patient with complex health care needs
10. Train some RNs to take responsibility for specialized functions
11. Schedule RNs to perform different roles on different days
12. Preserve the traditional RN role and focus on training MAs and LVNs to take on new responsibilities.

This report explores how safety-net clinics are responding to the challenge of using RNs' skills. The report focuses on community health centers and county health systems in California; two health centers outside California are listed.

The report identifies the American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AACN) recognizing the "evolving medical home concept reinforces the critical need for registered nurses to provide chronic disease management, care coordination, health risk appraisal, health promotion and disease prevention services"

The report, Appendix A: Example of RN Prescription Refill Procedure by Standardized Procedure

No public comment or action required.

11.0 Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Note: The Committee may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the Public Comment section that is not included on this agenda, except whether to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Section 11125 and 11125.7(a)).

Public comment:

Gayle Sarlotte, RN, BSN

12.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.



 Stacie Berumen
 Assistant Executive Officer



 Michael Jackson
 President