



Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee Meeting

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

April 7, 2026

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Agenda Item 2.0

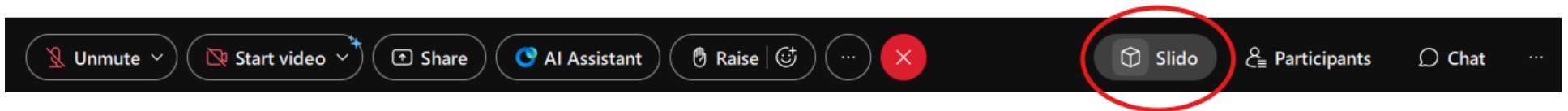
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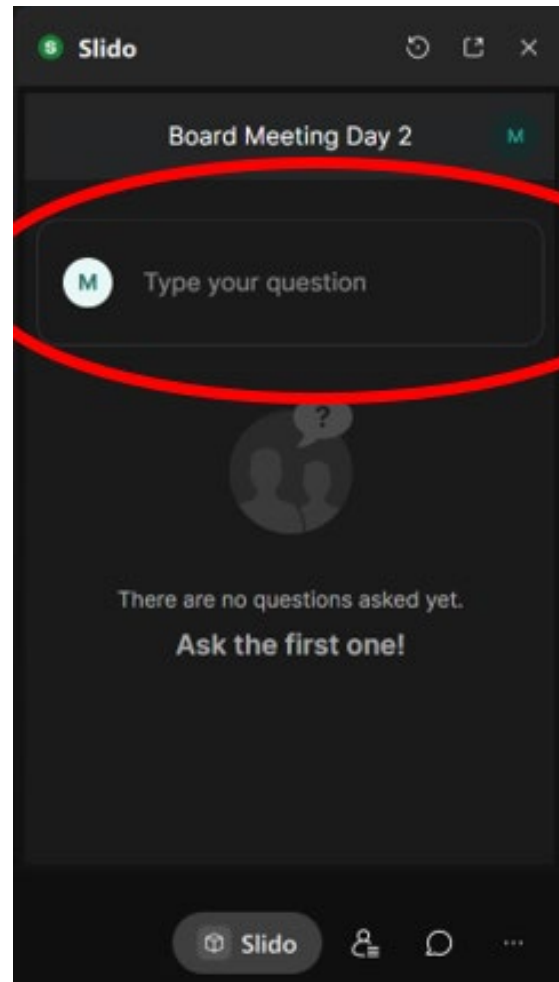
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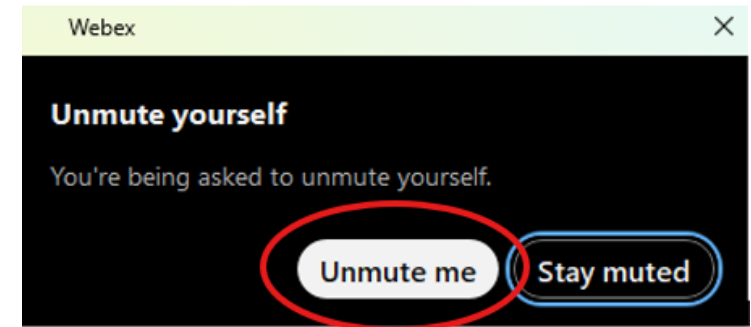
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Agenda Item 4.0

Review and vote on whether to approve previous meeting's minutes

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BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes

DATE: August 27, 2025

START TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: **NOTE:** In accordance with Government Code section 11123.5, the meeting was held via a teleconference platform and all committee members participated remotely with a member of the Board's staff present at the primary physical meeting location below:
1747 North Market Blvd., Ste. 100
Sacramento, CA 95834

9:00 a.m.

1.0

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum

Loretta Melby, Executive Officer, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Joseph Martin resigned his position today. Kathleen Theobald was not present. Quorum was established at 9:05 a.m.

**Certified Registered
Nurse Anesthetist
Advisory Committee
Members:**

Samantha Polikowski, CRNA – Chair
Joseph Martin, DNP, CRNA – Vice Chair - Resigned
Sandra Bordi, DNP, CRNA
Karyn Karp, MS, CRNA - Absent
Kathleen Theobald, MA

**BRN Staff
Representatives:**

Loretta Melby, RN, MSN, Executive Officer
Reza Pejuhesh, DCA Legal Affairs Division, Attorney

9:08 a.m.

3.0

Public comment for items not on the agenda; items for future agendas

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 3.0:**

James Rockoff requested to make comment but was unable to unmute when given the opportunity to speak.

9:14 a.m.

4.0

Review and vote on whether to approve previous meeting's minutes

4.1 January 16, 2025

Discussion: Presented by Samantha Polikowski, Chair.

No comments or questions by members.

Motion: **Samantha Polikowski** Motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 16, 2025.

Second: **Kathleen Theobald**

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 4.1:**

No public comments in any location.

Vote:	SP	JM	KK	KT	SB
Vote	Y	AB	AB	Y	Y
<u>Key:</u> Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB					

Motion Passed

9:17 a.m.

5.0

Information Only: Report from the Board of Registered Nursing’s Executive Officer regarding updates on activities which may impact Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA)

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer

No comments or questions.

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 5.0:**

No public comments in any location.

9:23 a.m.

6.0

Discussion and possible action: Regarding meeting dates for 2026.

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer

No comments or questions.

Motion: **Kathleen Theobald** Motion to approve the proposed meeting dates of April 7, 2026, and October 6, 2026

Second: **Samantha Polikowski**

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 6.0:**

No public comments in any location.

Vote:	SP	JM	KK	KT	SB
Vote	Y	AB	AB	Y	Y
<u>Key:</u> Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB					

Motion Passed

9:28 a.m.

7.0

Discussion and possible action: Regarding election of Chair and Vice Chair positions

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer.

Samantha Polikowski nominated Sandra Bordi for the Chair position and Sandra accepted the nomination.

Kathleen Theobald nominated Samantha Polikowski for the Vice Chair position and Samantha accepted the nomination

Motion for Chair and

Vice Chair: **Samantha Polikowski** motion to approve the nominations made for Sandra Bordi as Chair and Samantha Polikowski as Vice Chair

Second: **Kathleen Theobald**

Public Comment for

Agenda Item 7.0: No public comments in any location.

Vote:

	SP	JM	KK	KT	SB
Vote	Y	AB	AB	Y	Y
<u>Key:</u> Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB					

Motion Passed

9:34 a.m.

8.0

Discussion and possible action: Report from the three CRNAAC subcommittees: Public Engagement and Website; Regulations; and Regulation Definitions

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer.

Public Engagement and Website:

Kathleen Theobald reported that the subcommittee met with HQ staff after the last meeting. They are verifying website links and plan to add additional information once new legislation is in place. The goal is to complete updates by the end of the year, with another meeting scheduled after the current one to continue the work.

Loretta Melby noted that many suggestions were incorporated, including adding information on how to become a CRNA.

Quorum lost at 9:37 a.m. when Kathleen Theobald had to leave the meeting.

Regulations:

Sandra Bordi reported that the subcommittee is in a holding pattern pending approval of upcoming legislation and expressed appreciation for staff support.

Reza Pejuhesh stated that the meeting should adjourn due to loss of quorum but that public comment could be taken prior to adjournment.

Motion: No motion made.

Public Comment for

Agenda Item 8.0:

James Rockoff, Oceanside, California [This comment related to Agenda Item 3; commenter indicated that he was unable to come off mute until he installed WebEx on his computer] - Stated he will be sending additional information to the Board via the listed mailing address. He referenced a slide from the May 30, 2025, Board

meeting noting a goal to improve the quality of continuing education (CE) courses. He reported taking a 2024 CE course titled “Certificate and Energy Medicine” which he believed contained inaccurate and misleading content. He explained he filed a complaint with the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the accrediting body that authorizes CE credit for this course in California. He expressed concern that the course endorses concepts such as “imaginary anatomy,” including multi-layered auras, chakras tied to organs, and claims that medical conditions can be treated with foot reflexology. He stated that nurses may feel obligated to offer such techniques to patients if they are included in accredited coursework, potentially leading to wasted time and effort for patients. He asked that Board members read both his email and mailed correspondence regarding this matter.

- 9.0 Information only:** Data on final dispositions of disciplinary cases against CRNAs
- 10.0 Information only:** Overview of the 2026 BRN Sunset Review process
- 11.0 Information only:** Presentation from the California Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (CANA) on future priorities for CRNAs

Discussion: Loretta Melby noted that three agenda items remained unfinished due to the loss of quorum. She stated that staff will explore the possibility of scheduling another meeting before the end of the year; however, the schedule is already very full and a suitable date may not be available. She also noted that materials related to disciplinary cases and an overview of the sunset process are available on the website.

9:44 a.m.

12.0 Adjournment: **Sandra Bordi**, adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Submitted by:

Accepted by:

McCaulie Feusahrens

Chief of Licensing
Licensing Division
California Board of Registered Nursing

Sandra Bordi

Chair
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee

Loretta Melby, MSN, RN

Executive Officer
California Board of Registered Nursing

BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee Meeting
Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 18, 2025

START TIME: 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: **NOTE:** In accordance with Government Code section 11123.5, the meeting was held via a teleconference platform and all committee members participated remotely with a member of the Board's staff present at the primary physical meeting location below:
1747 North Market Blvd., Ste. 100
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3:00 p.m. **1.0**

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum

Sandra Bordi, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. All members were present. Quorum was established at 3:01 p.m. Karyn Karp was unable to turn her camera on and was advised by Reza Pejuhesh that if she could not turn her camera on then she would not be able to participate but could listen to the meeting. Karyn Karp's camera came on at 3:06 p.m.

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee Members:

Sandra Bordi, DNP, CRNA – Chair
Samantha Polikowski, CRNA – Vice Chair
Karyn Karp, MS, CRNA
Kathleen Theobald, MA

BRN Staff Representatives:

Loretta Melby, RN, MSN, Executive Officer
Reza Pejuhesh, DCA Legal Affairs Division, Attorney

3:07 p.m.

3.0

Public comment for items not on the agenda; items for future agendas.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 3.0:

No public comments in any location.

3:08 p.m.

4.0

Information only: Data on final dispositions of disciplinary cases against CRNAs

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer.

Kathleen Theobald asked whether the discipline list reflected individual instances or whether items overlapped.

Loretta Melby responded that the cases typically do not overlap.

Kathleen then asked to confirm whether the numbers represented individuals.

Loretta stated she could not fully speak to the 2018-2019 datasets but noted that a single practice case involving substance use

disorder might appear in the data. She added that the number of CRNAs will be added to future discipline charts to support correlation.

Reza Pejuhesh asked whether the data could be analyzed to determine overlap among actions.

Loretta Melby said Shannon Johnson confirmed the categories do not overlap and are counted by individual.

Reza observed that a licensee could still have multiple types of discipline, such as out-of-state action related to substance use disorder or sexual misconduct.

Loretta stated that separate licensee totals will be added to the top row of the discipline information for clarity.

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 4.0:**

CMM – She said the Medical Board of California (MBC) said the more citations they issue the better job they are doing. She said that sounds counterintuitive and asked if the EO had any thoughts.

Loretta Melby explained that different boards operate under different practice laws and receive different types of complaints. She stated that the MBC and the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) have mandated employer reporting, while the BRN does not have such a requirement for RNs or APRNs. Employers may choose not to report issues. She clarified her earlier comments were specific to BRN practice and emphasized the importance of evaluating complaint trends, citing examples such as social media-related issues and COVID-related impacts.

No public comment in Sacramento.

3:23 p.m.

5.0

Information only: Overview of the 2026 BRN Sunset Review process

Discussion: Presented by Loretta Melby, Executive Officer.

No comments or questions.

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 5.0:**

No public comments in any location.

3:36 p.m.

6.0

Information only: Presentation from the California Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (CANA) on future priorities for CRNAs

Discussion: Presented by Melanie Rowe, Practice Director for CANA.

Loretta Melby stated that AB 876 was supported by the Board throughout the legislative process, but noted that significant language was removed from the final bill. She emphasized that

regulations cannot be created without supporting statutory authority, and currently there are no regulations specific to CRNAs; their practice is governed solely by statute. Once the bill is approved by the Governor, BRN will review the final statutory language to determine whether regulations can be drafted. A key issue raised concerned delegation by a CRNA, specifically whether a CRNA may give an order to an RN. Ms. Melby stated this will be reviewed by the DCA regulatory attorney once the bill becomes law. She reiterated that the BRN is the only entity authorized to interpret RN and APRN practice, and that its authority is strictly limited by statute and existing regulations. She clarified that medical staff titles, referenced in Title 22, are not included in statute and were not part of the bill; Title 22 is overseen by CDPH, not BRN. Regarding title protection, she stated that although it might potentially be addressed in regulation, it must first appear in statute. She cautioned that the BRN may not be able to provide everything the CRNA profession seeks, given the limits of statutory authority. The Board must base all regulatory activity on existing law.

Loretta outlined the regulatory process, noting:

- Any regulations developed will be reviewed by this advisory committee.
- The Board may amend proposed regulatory language, even if stakeholders disagree.
- All proposed regulations must undergo a public comment period, and all comments must be formally addressed.
- The final bill language approved by the Governor is different from what was introduced earlier in the year.
- Litigation is possible, depending on the outcome of regulations or interpretations.

Loretta restated that medical staff titles and title protection are not addressed, but there may be room for compromise regarding delegation from a CRNA to an RN.

Sandra Bordi thanked Ms. Melby for her thorough responses to Ms. Rowe's earlier comments.

**Public Comment for
Agenda Item 6.0:**

Bryan Tune, Executive Managing Partner of Central California Anesthesiology Solutions - Stated that his organization staffs 22 ambulatory surgery centers and five hospitals. He expressed appreciation for the Executive Officer and Board's support of the bill. He emphasized the critical importance of CRNAs being able to provide preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative anesthetic orders to RNs. He stated that if the bill had not passed, patient care would have been significantly disrupted. He noted that CRNAs issuing such orders is a long-standing standard practice, in place for approximately 40 years, and stressed the importance of maintaining this ability going forward to support both CRNA practice and patient care.

No public comment in Sacramento.

4:09 p.m.

12.0

Adjournment: Sandra Bordi, adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

Submitted by:

Accepted by:

McCaulie Feusahrens

Chief of Licensing

Licensing Division

California Board of Registered Nursing

Sandra Bordi, DNP, CRNA

Chair

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee

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Agenda Item 5.0

Discussion and possible action: Report from the Board of Registered Nursing's Executive Officer regarding updates on activities which may impact Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA), including introduced legislation that may impact CRNAs

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AGENDA ITEM: 5.0

DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and possible action: Report from the Board of Registered Nursing's Executive Officer regarding updates on activities which may impact Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA), including legislation that may impact CRNAs

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

Loretta Melby, Executive Officer for the Board of Registered Nursing, will provide updates on Board activities which may impact CRNAs.

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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Agenda Item 6.0

Discussion and possible action: Regarding creation and/or modification of subcommittees, and report from the three CRNAAC subcommittees: Public Engagement and Website; Regulations; and Regulation Definitions.

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AGENDA ITEM: 6.0

DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and possible action: Regarding creation and/or modification of subcommittees, and report from the three CRNAAC subcommittees: Public Engagement and Website; Regulations; and Regulation Definitions.

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

The three CRNAAC subcommittees will provide updates on work conducted. Additionally, the committee may modify or create subcommittees. The subcommittees and members are as follows:

- Public Engagement and Website: Samantha Polikowski and Kathleen Theobald
- Regulations: Sandra Bordi and Karyn Karp
- Regulation Definition: Vacant

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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Agenda Item 7.0

Discussion and possible action: Frequently Asked Question language for Assembly Bill 876 (Reg. Sess. 2025-2026) (Business and Professions Code, sections 2826, 2826.5, 2826.6, 2826.7 and 2833.6)

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AGENDA ITEM: 7.0

DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and possible action: Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) language for Assembly Bill (AB) 876 (Reg. Sess. 2025-2026) (Business and Professions Code, sections 2826, 2826.5, 2826.6, 2826.7 and 2833.6)

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

The Committee will discuss drafting FAQ language intended to assist licensees and stakeholders in understanding the statutory provisions enacted by AB 876.

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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Agenda Item 8.0

Information and discussion only: Data on final dispositions of disciplinary cases against CRNAs

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AGENDA ITEM: 8.0
DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and discussion only: Data on final dispositions of disciplinary cases against CRNAs

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

The members of CRNAAC will discuss any trends/issues with final dispositions of disciplinary cases against CRNAs. Discipline data for the past eight (7) years is included in the two charts below:

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) Discipline Statistics

Type of Discipline	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026 (as of 4/1/26)
Public Repeal	6	1	1	0	0	1	2	2	1
Probation	2	0	4	3	4	5	1	1	1
Surrender	4	7	2	4	2	3	0	1	0
Voluntary Surrender during Probation	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Revocation	2	2	0	3	1	4	2	3	2
Reinstatement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	15	10	8	10	7	13	6	7	4
Active CNRA Licenses	2,504	2,585	2,682	2,772	2,841	3,069	3,218	3,337	3,448
Percentage of CNSs Disciplined	0.60%	0.39%	0.30%	0.36%	0.25%	0.42%	0.19%	0.12%	0.00%

CNS Discipline Statistics – Violation Types

Violation Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026 (as of 4/1/26)
Practice	5	1	3	1	1	2	0	1	0
801 Practice	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
OSD	5	3	2	3	1	4	2	2	2
Conviction	1	2	0	1	0	3	2	1	0
SUD	2	3	1	2	5	2	0	1	1
Sexual Misconduct	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	2	1	2	2	0	1	1	1	0
Total	15	10	8	10	7	13	6	7	4
Active CRNA Certifications	2,504	2,585	2,682	2,772	2,841	3,069	3,218	3,337	3,448
Percentage of CRNAs Disciplined	0.60%	0.39%	0.30%	0.36%	0.25%	0.42%	0.19%	0.12%	0.00%

Active Licenses/Certifications by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26 (3 Qtrs)
Registered Nurse	442,383	451,934	458,165	466,704	480,568	524,129	534,035	549,040	562,673
Clinical Nurse Specialist	3,556	3,458	3,391	3,323	3,137	3,209	3,042	3,029	2,983
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	2,504	2,585	2,682	2,772	2,841	3,069	3,218	3,337	3,448
Nurse Midwife	1,350	1,346	1,349	1,368	1,352	1,427	1,432	1,460	1,496
Nurse Practitioner	25,297	26,305	27,640	29,699	32,616	36,092	39,919	43,800	46,080

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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Agenda Item 9.0

Information and discussion only: Overview of the 2026 BRN Sunset Report language impacting CRNAs, including the language regarding the delegation of registered nurses and supervision by advance practice registered nurses

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AGENDA ITEM: 9.0

DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and discussion only: Overview of the 2026 BRN Sunset Report language impacting CRNAs, including the language regarding the delegation of registered nurses and supervision by advance practice registered nurses

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

Loretta Melby, Executive Officer, will provide an update on the 2026 BRN Sunset Review process and the Assembly Business and Professions Committee and the Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development Committee joint sunset review oversight hearing which occurred on March 10, 2026. This will include language within the 2026 Sunset Report that may impact CRNAs, including the language regarding the delegation of registered nurses and supervision by advance practice registered nurses.

RESOURCES:

The most recent BRN Sunset Report, background papers, and other reports submitted to the Legislature are below and prior years can be found on the [BRN website](#):

- [2026 Sunset Review Report](#)

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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Agenda Item 10.0

Discussion and possible action: Regarding the initial draft proposed text of regulatory language for CRNAs

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AGENDA ITEM: 10.0

DATE: April 7, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and possible action: Regarding the initial draft proposed text of regulatory language for CRNAs

REQUESTED BY: Sandra Bordi, CRNA
Chair

BACKGROUND:

The CRNAAC members will review the proposed regulation from the Regulations subcommittee.

The draft regulatory text is on the pages following this AIS.

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

PERSON(S) TO CONTACT: McCaulie Feusahrens
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**Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
Proposed Text**

DRAFT

**16 C.C.R. § 14xx.
§ Definitions.**

“Nurse Anesthetist” shall mean a “Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist,” “CRNA,” or “anesthetist” licensed by the board as a Registered Nurse who has met the standard for certification from the board and is certified by-The National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists or a successor or national professional organization.

“Certification” shall mean a certificate to practice as a nurse anesthetist issued by the Board as set forth in Business & Professions Code, section 2826(a).

“National board certification” shall mean that a licensed Registered Nurse has achieved a passing score on the exam administered by The National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists or a successor or national professional organization.

**16 C.C.R. § 14xx.
§ Requirements for Certification as a Nurse Anesthetist**

- (a) Initial Certification.
- (1) To obtain a certification as a nurse anesthetist, an applicant must meet the following conditions:
 - (A) Hold a valid and active license as a registered nurse in California, Business and Professions Code, Sections 2700 et seq.;
 - (B) Be a graduate of an accredited nurse anesthesia program accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Education Programs; and
 - (C) Has passed the national board certification examination for nurse anesthetists issued by the National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists.
 - (2) Verification of passing the national board certification examination for nurse anesthetists shall be provided directly to the Board by the National Board of Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists or through Nursys®, a national database for verification of licensure.
 - (A) The National Board of Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists can validate educational transcripts received from the Accredited Program as primary source verification and if accepted for national board certification it will be deemed equivalent for proof of completion of a program for the education of nurse anesthetist required for licensure.
 - (3) Submit a completed application for initial certification that includes the following:
 - (1) Applicant’s full legal name [(Last Name), (First Name), (Middle Name) and /or (Suffix)].

- (2) Other name(s) the applicant has used or has been known by,
- (3) Applicant's physical address,
- (4) Applicant's mailing address, if different than the applicant's physical address. The mailing address may be a post office box number or other alternate address,
- (5) Email address,
- (6) Applicant's telephone number,
- (7) Applicant's Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number,
- (8) Applicant's birthdate (month, day, and year),
- (9) California registered nurse license number issued by the Board
- (10) Pay the applicable fee(s) set forth by the Board in 16 CCR 1417.

(b) The board shall notify the applicant in writing that the application is complete and accepted for filing or that the application is deficient and what specific information is required within 30 days from receipt of an application. A decision on certification shall be reached within 60 days of filing a completed application.

**16 C.C.R. § 14xx.
§ Anesthesia Services Rendered by a Trainee**

In order for a trainee to render anesthesia services, they shall be required to:

- (1) Be a student enrolled in an accredited doctoral anesthesia education program _____ of nurse anesthesia; and
- (2) Those anesthesia services shall be incidental to the course of study; and
- (3) Anesthesia services provided by the trainee shall be under the supervision of a nurse anesthetist or physician anesthesiologist.

**16 C.C.R. § 14xx.
§ Nurse Anesthetist Responsibility, Role and Liability**

- (1) The nurse anesthetist, when providing anesthesia services, shall not be required to perform the duties of the circulating nurse or scrub assistant as referenced in CCR Title 22, Division 5, Chapter 1, Article 3, section [70217\(a\)\(2\)](#).
- (2) By virtue of being in the same location as a nurse anesthetist performing anesthesia services, a physician, podiatrist, dentist, or other healthcare provider shall not assume supervision of the independent nurse anesthetist.