

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

Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Start Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: The Nursing Practice Committee meeting was held via remote access in accordance with Government Code section 11123.5. All Committee members joined the meeting remotely.

9:01 a.m. 1.0 Call to Order / Roll Call / Establishment of a Quorum
Chairperson Nilu Patel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was established at 9:01 a.m. All Committee members were present.

Committee Nilu Patel, Chair
Members: Jovita Dominguez, BSN, RN
Vicki Granowitz

BRN Staff Loretta (Lori) Melby, RN, MSN – Executive Officer
Present: Reza Pejuhesh – DCA Legal Affairs Division, Attorney

9:02 a.m. 2.0 General instructions for the format of a teleconference meeting

The BRN Moderator provided instructions regarding the use of WebEx/Slido for public comments, muting protocols, and meeting procedures.

9:04 a.m. 3.0 Public comment for items not on the agenda; items for future agendas

Public Comment for Agenda Item None
3.0:

9:05 a.m. 4.0 Review and vote on whether to approve previous meeting minutes

4.1 October 30, 2025

Committee None
Discussion:

Motion: **Vicki Granowitz** moved to approve the Nursing Practice Committee meeting minutes from October 30, 2025, and to allow BRN staff to make non-substantive changes to correct name misspellings and/or typographical errors.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment None
for Agenda Item
4.1:

Vote:

Vote:	NP	JD	VP
	Y	Y	Y
Key: Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB			

Motion Passed

9:07 a.m. 5.0 Information only: Advisory committee updates

Executive Officer Lori Melby reported that no advisory committees had met since the November Board meeting, except for the Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee (NEWAC), which met on January 21, 2026.

Updates from the NEWAC Meeting included:

Development of standardized crosswalks for CCNE, NLN CNEA, and ACEN accreditation reports to align with BRN continuing approval requirements.

Progress on implementation planning for Senate Bill 1015, requiring NEWAC to study and recommend standards for coordinating clinical placements.

Discussion of workload challenges for NEWAC members and strategies to support project progress.

Committee Discussion: None

Public Comment for Agenda Item 5.0: None

9:14 a.m. 6.0 Discussion and possible action: Nomination of the Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee (NEWAC) public member

Committee Discussion: None

Motion: **Vicki Granowitz** moved to approve the nomination of Matthew Hubbs to fill the NEWAC public member vacancy.

Second: **Nilu Patel**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 6.0: One member of the public asked whether the employer representative position was a union role.

Executive Officer Melby clarified that union-designated seats are separate, and the employer representative category only requires that the applicant employ RNs.

Vote:

	NP	JD	VP
Vote:	Y	Y	Y
Key: Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB			

Motion Passed

9:23 a.m. 7.0 Information and discussion only: Overview of nurse practitioner practice under Business and Professions Code section 2837.104

Executive Officer Melby provided an overview of the implementation of AB 890, the creation of the 103 and 104 Nurse Practitioner categories, and the impact of SB 1451 on eligibility for legacy national certifications.

Key points included:

California has 45,540 licensed NPs, but only around 2,700 have applied for and obtained 103 NP status.

The 103 NP designation is required before applying for 104 independent practice status.

Some employers are not allowing certified 103 NPs to practice in the 103 role, limiting their ability to accrue required hours.

SB 1451 reopened eligibility for legacy national certifications and removed specialty-specific restrictions for 103 practice settings.

The 104 application is available but undergoing updates to align with SB 1451.

Committee Discussion: Committee members expressed appreciation for the clarity provided, noting that many NPs had longstanding questions about the transition from standardized procedures to 103/104 practice.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 7.0: **None**

9:38 a.m. 8.0 Discussion and possible action: Future roles and responsibilities of the Nursing Practice Committee

Committee Discussion: **Chair Patel** opened the item for discussion. Committee members discussed the evolving scope of the Nursing Practice Committee and the potential need to refine or expand its responsibilities to better support the Board's regulatory and advisory functions. No specific direction was finalized during the discussion.

Motion: **Nilu Patel** moved to continue the discussion of the future roles and responsibilities of the Nursing Practice Committee at a subsequent meeting.

Second: **Jovita Dominguez**

Public Comment for Agenda Item 8.0: **None**

Vote:

	NP	JD	VP
Vote:	Y	Y	Y
Key: Yes: Y No: N Abstain: A Absent for Vote: AB			

Motion Passed

9:46 a.m.

9.0

Information and discussion only: Overview of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing's (NCSBN) National Nursing Education Database

A presentation was provided on the National Nursing Education Database, including its purpose, participating states, and the value of national-level nursing education data.

Committee Discussion: **Vicki Granowitz** asked why some states do not participate in the database.

Nancy Spector (NCSBN) responded that turnover among state boards has contributed to delays in participation and that some boards have not yet prioritized the review due to workload. She noted that participation is increasing.

Granowitz observed that many northeastern states appear not to participate.

Spector reiterated that participation is growing.

Executive Officer Melby added that California's delayed participation was due in part to lack of awareness about the program.

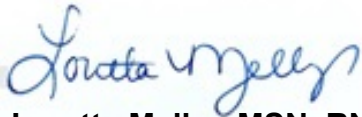
Granowitz suggested that testimony from participating states could be a useful tool to encourage broader adoption.

Public Comment for Agenda Item 9.0: **None**

10:11 a.m. 10.0 Adjournment

Nilu Patel, Chairperson, adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by:



Loretta Melby, MSN, RN
Executive Officer
California Board of Registered Nursing

Accepted by:



Nilu Patel
Chair, Nursing Practice Committee
California Board of Registered Nursing