



Agenda Item 7.0

Report of the Nursing Practice Committee

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Nursing Practice Committee

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ACTION REQUESTED: **Information only:** Advisory committee updates

- Nurse Practitioner Advisory Committee (NPAC)
- Nurse-Midwifery Advisory Committee (NMAC)
- Clinical Nurse Specialist Advisory Committee (CNSAC)
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Advisory Committee (CRNAAC)
- Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee (NEWAC)

REQUESTED BY: Dolores Trujillo, Board President

BACKGROUND:

Loretta Melby, Executive Officer, will provide updates on the activities of the advisory committees.

RESOURCES:

NEXT STEPS:

FISCAL IMPACT, IF ANY: None

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Agenda Item 7.2

Discussion and Possible Action:
of Proposed Regulatory Text to Modify California Code of
Regulations (CCR), Title 16, Section 1484 Regarding Nurse
Practitioner Education

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AGENDA ITEM: 7.2
DATE: August 21-22, 2024

ACTION REQUESTED: Review, Discussion and Possible Adoption of proposed regulatory text to modify California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16, Section 1484 regarding Nurse Practitioner Education.

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

BACKGROUND: The requirements for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Education program are established under Title 16 California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 1484.

16 CCR 1484 requires NP programs to offer a minimum of 500 clinical hours of supervised direct patient care experience. These clinical hours are completed under supervision of an experienced healthcare professional, often referred to as a clinical preceptor. According to regulations at 16 CCR 1420(n), 1426.1 and 1484, clinical preceptors for NP programs participate in teaching, supervising, and evaluating students, and must be competent in the content and skills being taught to the students.

By working with an experienced healthcare professional in clinical practice settings, students can apply their knowledge to real life situations and strengthen their clinical abilities.

In many cases the clinical preceptor will be an experienced NP. However, depending on the subject matter of the direct patient care being provided, another type of licensed healthcare professional, such as a pharmacist or psychiatrist, may also serve as a clinical preceptor for an NP student.

16 CCR 1484 currently requires both the NP student and their clinical preceptor to hold an active, valid California license to practice their respective profession. While this is appropriate when the preceptorship occurs in California, it is possible for a preceptorship to take place in another state.

Consequently, requiring the healthcare provider to have a California license when they are not practicing or providing the clinical preceptorship in California has shown to be overly burdensome for NP programs as they work to ensure their program complies with

California law. The same would apply for an NP student when they are receiving their clinical preceptorship in another state.

The proposed text removes the requirement for a clinical preceptor or NP student to hold an active RN license in California when the clinical preceptorship occurs in another state. Rather it would only require them to have an active license in the state where they are the clinical preceptorship takes place.

The proposed amendments to 16 CCR 1484 subsection (f)(1)(A) clarify that if a clinical preceptorship is being provided in California, the clinical preceptor must hold a active and valid license to practice in California.

The proposed addition of 16 CCR 1484 subsection (f)(1)(B) clarifies that, if a clinical preceptorship is being provided outside of California, the clinical preceptor must hold an active and valid license to practice in the state where the clinical preceptorship is being performed.

The proposed amendments to 16 CCR 1484 subsection (g) clarify that for an NP student to participate in a clinical experience, they must have a valid RN license in the state they are receiving their clinical preceptorship.

Lastly, the proposed text also contains conforming amendments made by [Senate Bill 887 \(Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development, Chapter 510, Statutes of 2024\)](#) which updated Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 2836 subsection (a) to reference the 2022 version of the Nurse Practitioner Role Core Competences established by the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NOPF) rather than the 2017 version.

NEXT STEPS:

Motion to approve the proposed regulatory text for 16 CCR 1484, direct staff to submit the text to the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs and the Secretary of the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency for review and if no adverse comments are received, authorize the Executive Officer to take all steps necessary to initiate the rulemaking process, make any non-substantive changes to the package, and set the matter for a hearing if requested.

If no adverse comments are received during the 45-day comment period and no hearing is requested, authorize the Executive Officer to take all steps necessary to complete the rulemaking and adopt

the proposed regulatory text at section 1484 as noticed.

**FISCAL
IMPACT, IF
ANY:**

Staff estimates that there will be no fiscal impact to the Board.

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Legend:

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Omitted text is indicated by (* * * *)

Deleted text is indicated by ~~strikeout~~.

§ 1484. Nurse Practitioner Education.

(a) The program of study preparing a nurse practitioner shall be approved by the board and be consistent with the nurse practitioner curriculum core competencies as specified by the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties in “Nurse Practitioner Role Core Competencies Content” (~~2017~~ 2022), which is hereby incorporated by reference.

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(f) Clinical Preceptor.

(1) A clinical preceptor in the nurse practitioner education program shall:

(A) If the clinical preceptorship is being provided in California, the preceptor shall hold an active valid, California license to practice their respective profession and demonstrate current clinical competence.

(B) If the clinical preceptorship is being provided outside of California, the preceptor shall hold an active valid, license to practice their respective profession in the state where the clinical preceptorship is being performed in and demonstrate current clinical competence.

~~(B)~~ (C) Participate in teaching, supervising, and evaluating students, and shall be competent in the content and skills being taught to the students.

(* * * *)

(g) Students shall hold either an active, valid California registered nurse license, or an active, valid registered nurse license in the state they are receiving their preceptorship in, to participate in nurse practitioner education program clinical experiences.

(h) Nurse Practitioner Education Program Curriculum.

(* * * *)

(7) The program may be full-time or part-time and shall be consistent with standards as established by The National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) in “Nurse Practitioner Role Core Competencies Content” (~~2017~~ 2022) or the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) in “Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs” (2016), which is hereby incorporated by reference. The program must also include theory and supervised clinical practice.

(* * * *)

Credits

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 2715, 2835.7 and 2836, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 2732.05, 2835, 2835.5, 2835.7, 2836, 2836.1, 2836.2, 2836.3 and 2837, Business and Professions Code.

Explanation of Change Without Regulatory Effect

BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING

Nurse Practitioner Education

Amend Title 16, California Code of Regulations, Section 1484

Section 100 CHANGE WITHOUT REGULATORY EFFECT

Pursuant to Title 1, Division 1, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 100(a), of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), the Department of Consumer Affairs, Board of Registered Nursing (Board) submits this written statement explaining why the proposed amendment of Title 16 CCR section 1484 – Nurse Practitioner Education, does not materially alter any requirement, right, responsibility, condition, prescription, or other regulatory element of any CCR provision.

Title 1 CCR Section 100(a)(4)

The Board proposes to replace the phrase “and/or” with “or both” in 1484(b) for structure and grammar.

The Board proposes to replace the phrase “he or she” with “the faculty member” in 1484(d)(2) and “they” in 1484(e)(2) in alignment with Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 260 of 2018 (ACR 260) encouraging elimination of gendered pronouns and incorporating gender neutral terms.

The Board proposes to add the words “five hundred” to 1484(h)(5) for consistency with other numbers being spelled out in the regulation text.

The amendments requested above are revising structure, syntax, cross-reference, grammar, or punctuation as outlined in Title 1 CCR Section 100(a)(4), and do not materially alter the requirements, rights, responsibilities, conditions, or prescriptions contained in the original text.