

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSES

Practice Committee Meeting
5001 MacCorkle Avenue SW, South Charleston, WV 25309
Minutes

May 30, 2024 1:00PM

Members present:

Wanda Marks, BSN, RN, Practice Committee Chair
Leslie Perrine, RN, Practice Committee Member
Cathy Childers, DT, Practice Committee Member

Staff present:

Sue A. Painter, DNP, RN, Executive Director
Robin A. Lewis, Ed.D, MSN, APRN FNP-BC, NP-C, Director of Practice & Education

Guests present:

None

PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING (Open to public)

I. Agenda

II. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 1:20 pm by Wanda Marks, BSN, RN,
Practice Committee Chair

III. Quorum

Wanda Marks reports 3 of 3 members of the committee members are
present thus a quorum is established.

IV. Announcements and introductions of members, staff, and guests

Wanda Marks reports there are no announcements, no guests present
and asks members and staff to introduce themselves if needed.

V. Review and consideration of agenda

a. Motion regarding accept/reorder agenda

Leslie Perine made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Cathey Childers seconded. No opposition. No abstentions. Motion passed.

- VI. Review and consideration of minutes
 - a. March 7, 2024 practice committee minutes

Cathy Childers made a motion to approve the March 7, 2024 practice committee minutes as written. Leslie Perrine seconded. No opposition. No abstentions. Motion passed.

- VII. Open forum
 - No one signed up to speak.

- VIII. Review and consideration of practice.

Wanda Marks reports no practice cases submitted to the practice committee for review for this meeting.

- IX. Review and consideration of requirements for exam applicants in order to be approved to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination

Wanda Marks requests the committee to review and consider revisions to the requirements for exam applicants in order to be approved to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination. Discussion ensued.

Leslie Perrine makes a motion to recommend to the full Board to make the following revisions:

- I. To revise the requirements for exam applicants in order to be approved to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination in addition to the application and fee as follows:

For page 1 A. revise as follows:

- A. If applying to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination FOR THE FIRST TIME AND MORE THAN FIVE (5) YEARS since graduation from a Board approved nursing program, AFTER ONE FAILED ATTEMPT AND MORE THAN FIVE (5) YEARS since graduation from a Board approved nursing program or AFTER TWO or MORE FAILED ATTEMPTS the applicant must in addition to the application and fee:
 - 1. Provide evidence to the Board of satisfactory completion of one (1) Category A requirement and;

2. Provide evidence to the Board of satisfactory completion one (1) Category B requirement.

Each applicant who has failed the NCLEX-RN examination two (2) times must select and complete one item from Category A and one item from Category B. Documentation of having met the additional requirements as specified in this letter must be sent directly from the instructor to the Board office. An application that is incomplete or lacks required documentation cannot be processed.

*Satisfactory completion is defined as a grade of C or above in an A to F grade scale or Pass/Credit for an audited course.

Remove A, B, D, E, and F from page 1.

Revise Page 2 as follows:

Leave title REQUIREMENTS TO REPEAT THE LICENSURE EXAMINATION AFTER TWO FAILED ATTEMPTS

Remove the sentence, ~~Each applicant who has failed the NCLEX-RN examination two (2) times must select and complete one item from Category A and one item from Category B.~~

Continue current Category A and B requirements without changes as follows:

CATEGORY A

Activities that maintain current level of nursing knowledge:

- (1) Individualized plan of self-study that identifies duration of study, resources, textbooks, review books, audio tapes, video tapes, times for study, computer tutorial programs, etc.

Documentation: Letter from candidate certifying completion of plan of action as previously submitted to the Board.

- (2) Individualized plan of self-study that identifies specific nursing knowledge to be gained as a result of self-study.

Documentation: (As in #1 above)

- (3) Formal review courses offered by institutions, schools of nursing, commercial organizations, etc. If a formal review course is used to meet a Category A

requirement, the course must be taken since the last failed result and within 12 months whichever is the shorter time frame.

Documentation: Certificates of completion for formal review courses. Certificates must show name of institution offering review program, the name of the candidate, the name of the review course, and the dates and locations of review course.

CATEGORY B

Activities that remedy deficiencies in current level of nursing knowledge:

- (1) Completion of ten (10) or more contact hours of private tutoring by a registered professional nurse who is qualified with a master's degree in nursing, and current or past teaching experience in a registered professional nursing program.

Documentation: Letter (on school letterhead if currently teaching; former teaching position must be included in letter if not currently teaching) from a qualified faculty member certifying completion of ten (10) or more contact hours of private tutoring. This letter should provide dates, hours, and topics for tutoring sessions and must be signed by the faculty member. The qualified faculty member is to indicate his/her qualifications with regard to academic credentials and teaching experience in an accompanying curriculum vitae. The letter from the tutor must be sent directly to the Board office.

- (2) Completion for credit or audit credit of a formal course in nursing science as offered by a state approved registered professional nursing education program.

Documentation: Official transcript showing completion of course for audit credit or course credit with an overall grade of "C" or better.

- (3) Completion for credit or audit credit of the lecture (didactic) portion of a formal course in nursing science as offered by a state approved registered professional nursing education program.

Documentation: Official transcript showing completion of course for audit credit and/or letter from course instructor certifying that the candidate passed the examinations given in the course with an overall grade of "C" or better.

- (4) Completion for credit or audit credit a formal course in pharmacology as offered by an accredited institution of higher learning.

Documentation: Documentation of having met the additional requirements as specified in this letter must be sent directly from the instructor to the Board office. An application that is incomplete or lacks required documentation cannot be processed.

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Cathy Childers seconded. No opposition. No abstentions. Motion passed.

X. Miscellaneous

a. 2024 EMS prehospital protocols

Wanda Marks reports new 2024 EMS prehospital protocols have been updated and released to include paramedic administration of ketamine and asks Board members to review the new document.

b. 2025 Legislation requiring social security numbers and West Virginia residency for exam and foreign educated exam applicants.

Staff report we have had an increased number of exam applicants and foreign educated exam applicants who do not reside in West Virginia nor plan to practice in West Virginia inquiring about exam requirements or applying to take the licensure exam because we do not currently require social security numbers or West Virginia state residency for West Virginia exam applicants from non-compact states or for foreign educated exam applicants unlike the majority of other exam jurisdictions. Staff asks practice committee to consider recommendation to the full Board to propose 2025 legislation requiring social security numbers and West Virginia residency for exam and foreign educated exam applicants like the majority of exam jurisdictions.

XI. Adjourn

Leslie Perine made a motion to adjourn. Cathy Childers seconded. No opposition. No abstentions. Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

XII. Debrief