



**Government of the District of Columbia  
Department of Health  
Health Regulation and Licensing Administration**



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD  
MINUTES  
Wednesday, September 7, 2016**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	
<b>Chair:</b> Cathy Borriss-Hale, RN	<b>P</b>
Chioma Nwachukwu, RN	<b>P</b>
Toni Eason, RN	<b>P</b>
Layo George, RN	<b>P</b>
Margaret Green, LPN	<b>P</b>
Mary Ivey, Consumer	<b>P</b>
Vera Mayer, Consumer	<b>P</b>
Missy Moore, LPN	<b>A</b>
Laverne Plater, RN	<b>P</b>
Winslow Woodland, RN	<b>P</b>
VACANT - RN	

<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>	<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>
<b>Senior Deputy Director, HRLA</b>	<b>Investigator</b>
	Mark Donatelli
<b>Executive Director</b>	
Karen Scipio-Skinner	<b>Compliance Specialist</b>
	Joanne Drozdoski
<b>Attorney</b>	
Van Brathwaite	<b>Board of Nursing Support Staff</b>
	Tanee Atwell
<b>Nurse Consultants</b>	
Bonita Jenkins	
Concheeta Wright	

**OPEN SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

APPROVE MINUTES

MOTION: July 6, 2016 Minutes approved as written

VOTE: Unanimous



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**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Solanges Vivens thanked the Board for their response to her concerns expressed at the July meeting regarding the Home Health Aide examination and certification process.

**Preparation for Inauguration**

LaQuandra Nesbitt, MD, MPH, Director, Department of Health  
Unable to attend due to scheduling conflict

**REPORTS**

**Report from executive director**

Congratulations to Cathy Borris-Hale:  
Appointed to NCSBN's newly established Marijuana Regulatory Guidelines Committee

**RN/APRN Renewal Update**

	<u>Renewed</u>	<u>Not Renewed</u>
Registered Nurse	21767	5404
Certified Nurse Midwife	102	27
Clinical Nurse Specialist	54	8
Nurse Practitioner	1487	242
Registered Nurse Anesthetist	174	42

**New application requirements for LPN/RN/APRN applications**

In an effort to expedite the licensure process LPN/RN/APRN applications will not be required to complete CBCs if they have completed one within the last 4 years.

**NAP Update:**

We anticipate the NAP regulations to be finalized by the end of the year.  
December we expect to launch the new HHA examination.  
December the CNA exam process will change requiring all applicants to schedule their examination online. This will expedite the amount of time it takes to schedule the exam.  
Meetings will be held in the fall with stakeholders to discuss the changes.



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**Chairperson reports**

Highlights of NCSBN Annual Meeting

Karen Scipio-Skinner re-elected to serve on NCSBN Board of Directors

Feedback regarding the Board of Nursing Leadership Symposium

Review of Board Committee Charge and Membership  
Education/Practice Committee

Chair: Toni Eason

Member: Chioma Nwachukwu

Mary Ivey

Layo George

Staff: Bonita Jenkins

Charge: Conduct Site Visits with nurse education consultant  
Interview and recommend approval of new Directors  
for Nursing  
Recommend Educational Program (RN/LPN/NAP)  
approval status  
Review applications for new nursing or NAP programs  
Review problematic CE Audit submissions  
Amend Education Program Regulations  
Draft NAP Education Program Requirements

Regulation/Discipline Committee

Chair: Winslow Woodland

Member: Cathy Borriss-Hale

Margret Green

Missy Moore

Laverne Plater

Vera Mayer

Staff: Karen Scipio-Skinner

Charge: Draft regulations  
Recommend regulations revisions  
Review and respond to public comments regarding  
published proposed regulations and recommend  
response  
Review complaints and determine disciplinary actions

Committee charges and board member assignments discussed. Members opted to stay with assigned committee.



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**Board of Nursing Retreat:**

**Focus:** Review Strategic Plan  
Review Board Committee Structure  
**Date:** February 1, 2018 (in lieu of board sub-committee meetings)

**Attorney advisor**

N/A

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**COIN Report:**

Participants: 13  
Completed: 4  
Referred to OAG: 1  
Referred to Discipline: 0

Members of the Committee on Impaired Nurses will attend the October board meeting.

**Education/Practice Committee**

**Closure of Medtech and Radians Colleges**

*"On Aug. 10, 2016, officials representing the parent company of Medtech Colleges alerted ED and their requisite postsecondary education oversight bodies that they ceased operations and instruction at three campuses in Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. These locations previously lost their eligibility to receive federal student aid funds from ED on July 31, 2016, due to their denial of recertification.*

*On Aug. 24, 2016, Medtech ceased operations at their Lexington, Kentucky, campus and corporate officials announced that instruction would cease on the Indianapolis, Fort Wayne and Greenwood, Indiana, Medtech campuses and at Radians College on Sept. 16, 2016".*

**Regulation Committee**

**RN/LPN Regulation**

The board continued the review of the regulation revisions.

Staff was asked to research how other boards regulate retired/volunteer nurses.



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**FYI ITEMS**

**STATUS OF BON REGULATIONS**

<b>REGULATION</b>	<b>STATUS</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Registered Nurse	Draft	
Licensed Practical Nurse	Draft	
Certified Nurse Practitioner	Referred for legal sufficiency review	
Clinical Nurse Specialist	Referred for legal sufficiency review	
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Referred for legal sufficiency review	
Certified Nurse Midwife	Referred for legal sufficiency review	
HHA amendments	Referred for legal sufficiency review	
NAP Omnibus (MAC, DT, PCT, CNA)	Referred for legal sufficiency review	

**ADJOURNMENT**

*This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Executive Section, which is closed to the public, to seek the advice of counsel to the board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(4); to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(9); or discuss ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14).*