



Advisory Group on Continuing Education (CE) Meeting Minutes September 20, 2019

Members Attending: Lauralee Krabill, Board member, Chair; Lisa Hachey; Angela Thompson; Terry Pope; Lucinda Cave; Deborah Shields; Stephanie Clubbs; Nancy Lopiccolo; Deborah Hartzell; Susan Hatfield; Tahnee Andrew

Members Absent: Kelli Schweitzer; Mary Beth Hughes; Jane Mahowald

Staff Attending: Lisa Emrich; Chantelle Sunderman

Guests Attending: Janet Winterstein, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

Call to Order

Lauralee Krabill, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and welcomed members and guests. Advisory Group members introduced themselves.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The July 26, 2019, meeting minutes were approved by consensus as submitted.

Follow-up CE for First Time Teaching an Academic Course

Lisa Emrich stated that following the last meeting, staff reviewed whether CE could be provided for those who are teaching an academic course for the first time; she reported that this is not a recognized CE activity based on the requirements specified in Chapter 4723-14, OAC. Staff also queried other boards of nursing and found that four states allowed either a limited number of hours for this or counted it as a required competency activity.

L. Krabill stated that if the Advisory Group wanted to proceed with a recommendation to approve this for CE, more detail regarding the process and documentation would need to be discussed. The Advisory Group agreed not to make a recommendation to pursue this. It was suggested that Rule 4723-14-03(B), OAC, may be revised to add it to the list of the activities that do not qualify as CE. L. Emrich noted that Chapter 4723-14, OAC, is due for its five-year review in 2022.

OBN Approver Annual Reports

L. Emrich reviewed the new OBN Approver Annual Report which is designed to collect information such as contacts, qualified peer reviewer, provider units, provider unit withdrawals, and CE topics offered by the OBN Approver. The report form will be distributed and also be made available on the Board website. Each year the report will be due no later than March 15th and will include information from January through December of the prior year. The Board will use the information to maintain the OBN Approver list and to identify the provider units associated with each OBN Approver.

RN and APRN Renewal Update

L. Emrich reported that about 195,000 RN and APRN licenses have been successfully renewed. The late processing fee was effective September 16, 2019. Multiple emails and social media messages were disseminated by the Board and through Ohio eLicense to remind licensees to renew and provide tips about renewal. The Advisory Group agreed that the messages were effective and asked to see the renewal volume trends from the 2019 renewal period when available.

Update from OBN Approvers and Providers of CE

The Advisory Group reported that they are seeing an increase in provider applications for conferences, symposiums, and courses on addiction, substance abuse and other social issues. Few LPN IV therapy courses are being requested or are available. L. Emrich reminded the group that the rule is being revised this year to remove the minimum number of hours required for the LPN IV therapy course.

Angela Thompson said the Community Health Worker Association contacted her requesting a continuing education activity on cultural competencies and ethics. They were able to create a two-contact-hour course which is available if anyone else requests it.

Stephanie Clubbs stated that the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) implemented revisions regarding the rounding of contact hours to the nearest quarter hour. Discussion ensued regarding the definition of a contact hour in the Chapter 4723-14, OAC. There was no recommendation to change the definition at this time.

Deborah Shields, Janet Winterstein, L. Hachey and Angela Thompson discussed the development and approval of education on Trauma Informed Care, which implements the practice of recognizing and responding to the effects of physical/sexual abuse and assault or other trauma that often results in substance abuse, or mental and emotional health concerns. J. Winterstein stated Trauma Informed Care asks the question, "What happened to you versus what is wrong with you?" They are integrating Trauma Informed Care in their health care systems and offering it as CE.

Other

Chair Krabill and L. Emrich announced the new Board website rollout in November. The goal is to make information more accessible, so users can find it within two clicks.

L. Emrich announced Tahnee Andrew's second term is ending this year and thanked her for her participation as an Advisory Group member. Applications for all the Advisory Groups will be posted on the Board website in October, and appointments will be made at the November Board meeting.

Future Meetings: Meetings for 2020 are scheduled for March 20; July 24; and September 18.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.