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Illinois Center for Nursing
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
10:00 A.M.
Thursday, September 2, 2010
100 West Randolph Street
Ninth Floor Conference Room, #171b & c
Chicago, Illinois

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Michele Bromberg, Chairperson
Kathryn E. Christiansen
Nancy Cutler
Marsha A. Prater
Maureen Shekleton
Mary Lebold

Excused Absence:

Susan Campbell
Donna L. Hartweg
Marcia Maurer
Donna Meyer
James Renneker
Deborah A. Terrell

Staff:

Linda B. Roberts, ICN Manager

At 10:20 a.m. Chairperson Bromberg officially called the meeting to order. A quorum was not present, action items to be deferred.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reorder agenda:

1. Legislative Update

- a. New controlled substance license applications for APNs and PAs are now available on-line (www.idfpr.com). Mid Level Providers include Advance Practice Nurses (APN) and Physician Assistants (PA). APNs and PAs may now prescribe limited quantities of Schedule II controlled substances. Before applying to the DEA for a Schedule II permit, an APN or PA who has been

given controlled substances prescriptive authority must first obtain an IL mid-level practitioner controlled substances (CS) license or update his or her current controlled substances license to include Schedule II controlled substances.

- i) On August 24, 2010, a news release regarding New Controlled Substance License was posted on the IDFPR website and distributed to *Nursing Spectrum*, *Advance for Nurses*, *Illinois Nurse*, *The Nurses Lounge* and the Illinois Society for Advanced Practice Nursing (ISAPN).
- ii) At the top of the IDFPR website an “Important Notice Regarding Schedule II Controlled Substances”, was posted. This notice includes information that APNs and PAs may now prescribe limited quantities of Schedule II controlled substances. There are also details on the process of first applying for the IL Controlled Substance License prior to the DEA permit.

2. National Council State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) NCLEX® Regional Workshop for Faculty of Licensure-Preparing Nursing Programs will be held on Thursday, October 21, 2010, at Moraine Valley Community College, Palos, IL.

a. Background information provided:

- i. NCSBN limits the number of attendees to 100 IL nursing faculty
- ii. NCSBN provides workshop instructors at no cost to a state Board of Nursing on an annual basis
- iii. Support is being provided by: IDFPR/IL Center for Nursing. Cosponsors are the South Metropolitan Higher Education Consortium and Moraine Valley Community College

b. Thus far registration includes 68 nursing faculty from 23 schools. The registration deadline is Thursday, October 7, 2010.

c. Discussion: consideration should be given to assessing if this educational program impacts the NCLEX exam results at individual nursing education programs.

- i. what schools had faculty that were in attendance
- ii. has there been some type of improvement in NCLEX pass rates
 - Average scores for the last 10 years
 - Average scores for the past few years

d. How far will we have to continue to track pass rates (2 year programs, 4 year programs, other types of programs such as Masters entry, accelerated).

- i. contact NCSBN, see if they already track this information
- ii. transition into the workplace: hospitals have student nurses working as direct care assistive workers. Many hospitals have “transition coordinators”, who work with these assistive workers. Current NCSBN standards are that this program is only open to nursing faculty – so if the transition coordinator has an adjunct faculty appointment then they would be eligible to attend the workshop.
- iii. track attendees for 1-2 years after they attend, may take a few years to put some sort of follow-up program in place.

3. Illinois Board of Higher Education FY2011 Nurse Educator Fellowship application deadline October 8, 2010.

- a. The purpose of the Nurse Educator Fellowship Program is to ensure the retention of well-qualified nursing faculty at institutions of higher learning that award degrees in nursing.
 - i. The plan is for 18 awards to be distributed this fiscal year.
 - ii. Awards will be used to supplement the salaries of the nursing faculty selected for the Fellowship.
 - iii. Participation in this program is open to Illinois institutions of higher learning with a nursing program that is approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) or the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC).
 - iv. Nominations must be certified by the institution's Chief Nursing Administrator.
 - b. Partnership with IBHE – the award recipients complete ICN abstract which IBHE accepts as the required year-end-summary document
 - c. IBHE – will continue nursing education expansion grants, \$880,000 in grants this year. Improvement grant applications will be available beginning September 15, 2010.
4. Welcome to Marsha A. Prater, PhD, RN. She was recently appointed by the Governor to the IL Center for Nursing Advisory Board of Directors. She is the Senior Vice President of Patient Services and Chief Nursing Officer of Memorial Health System in Springfield IL.
All ICN Board members individually introduced themselves.
 5. Review and approval of minutes from June 3, 2010 – deferred until the next meeting, October 7, 2010.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Board of Directors information distributed an reviewed: meeting dates, travel voucher, public meetings act
 - a. ICN BOD meeting dates: FY 2011:

2010	September	02	Chicago
	October	07	Chicago
	December	02	Springfield
2011	February	03	Chicago
	April	07	Chicago
	June	02	Springfield
 - b. IDFPR Statement of Reimbursable Expenses for Board members for FY2011 reviewed. This travel voucher must be returned with original signature to ICN for processing to receive reimbursement.
 - c. Public Act #096-0543: Gubernatorial Boards and Commissions Act: this legislation was finalized in Fall 2009, and includes activities such as open sessions of Board meetings, public posting of the agenda, meeting minutes, etc on the ICN website, www.nursing.illinois.gov.
2. ICN Mission, Vision statement
 - a. Discussion limited, final decision deferred to next meeting.

3. Newsletter

Discussion: Since their initial meetings in 2006, the IL Center for Nursing Advisory Board has had communication as a priority. The IL Center for Nursing (ICN) website, www.nursing.illinois.gov has been the primary area of focus. The ICN website can be accessed through the IL Department of Professional Regulation (IDFPR) Professional Nursing website. The ICN website has information regarding, and direct links to the various nursing programs throughout the state, both pre-licensure and post-licensure programs. There are also other links to: financial aid, scholarships, nursing, health care organizations, other resources.

The second communication priority has been to initiate a newsletter in conjunction with the IDFPR Board of Nursing. A draft newsletter was written in June 2008, multiple templates have been proposed. The newsletter would be a supplement to the ICN website. The initial proposal was to send the ICN newsletter by US mail to all licensed IL nurses.

Since the Fall of 2008, broadcast emails containing information and links to information have been routinely distributed to IL Deans/Directors of approved nursing education programs, regional partners and Team IL members, other organizations that ICN has worked with over the past few years. In 2009 the ICN BOD recommended that a newsletter be distributed within the body of an email, so that when the email is opened the newsletter would be immediately available. The newsletter would not to be an attachment to the email.

At this time, IDFPR/IL Center for Nursing is not able to accomplish a newsletter within the body of an email. An option to consider would be: a newsletter template:

Proposed Template:

Dear Friend of ICN:
The July 2010 edition of "News and Reviews" is now available! This month we are excited to share:

- Information on our 2010 NCLEX ® Regional Workshop
- Details on ICN's Nurse Simulation Education events
- An update on current nursing workforce research efforts
- Program updates
- and much more!

The newsletter can be accessed on the "[_____](#)" tab of the ICN website or by "clicking here"

Thank you,

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To have your name removed from our mailing list, please e-mail

Discussion: agreement to distribute communication in this template, use ICN website to post the newsletter. Other recommendations: to maintain ICN website focus, periodically do an e-blast about website updates; request, for example, Chief Nursing Officer's to officially send ICN newsletter on members; ask Team IL regional partners, MCHC, IHA, ISAPN, INA, HH, Critical Access Hospitals to also distribute information.

4. Team Illinois/Center to Champion Nursing in America

a. July 29, 2010 Team IL Quarterly Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Mission statement: Together Team IL networks with regional stakeholders and partners for the purpose of promoting nursing and addressing the health care workforce shortages to improve access to high quality, safe care to the communities of IL.

- b. Next meeting: Monday, October 4, 2010 Marion, IL. Host – Man-Tra-Con Corporation, Connect SI
 - i. Goals: Synergy amongst projects – example: student outreach in high school and junior high schools, sharing of various programs focusing on nursing and other health care occupations as careers, necessity of math and science courses, etc.
 - ii. Quarterly regional reports – are in the process of developing a new shared template.
 - iii. Target different regions of the state to widen areas represented; various cities discussed in central, western and northern part of state.
- c. ICN website: create a tab and post the Team IL documents, initiatives, links to regional partners.
 - i. Additional changes on the first page
 - ii. "collaborate with Center Champion Nursing - change to Team IL as the lead prior to CCNA";
 - iii. post Team IL agenda and minutes of team meetings, include the organizational structure, co-chairs and that MCHC is the fiscal agent.
- d. Team IL Regional Partner Updates
 - i. MCHC: iCRSP (on-line clinical rotation scheduling program) – have signed on all academic medical centers, all Chicago City Colleges, are working on Cook County (3 hospitals, 17 clinics, CORE clinic, Cermak jail) to participate in this scheduling that interfaces between nursing education programs and health care institution clinical rotation availability. Some facilities/schools have been participating for nine months; will be providing for the first time an annual report to each participating institution.
 - ii. Connect-SI – Southern Illinois On Line Nursing Initiative (SIONI) continues at six community colleges in its first year. Twenty eight students continue, four of six colleges have signed on to again participate next year.
 - iii. Clinical Faculty Academy (CFA) – will host the first one in their area in few weeks, September 14 and 15, 2010. All nursing programs in this area, six community colleges, SIUE-C, and McKendree University are sending faculty as instructors for this two day program.
 - iv. IL/IOWA PIN grant partners/Quad Cities: – nursing education team developed their own curriculum for their local rendition of CFA, will pilot at the end of October.
 - v. CIRCLE: Central IL/Bloomington-Normal: RWJF PIN Grant funding expiring – will now look toward MCHC oversight of iCRSP initiative. St. John's Hospital & Memorial Medical Center both are supportive of iCRSP. On October 8, 2010 Friday, they are holding a regional summit, participants from Bloomington-Normal area.
 - vi. Springfield Chamber Commerce: PIN/CINI: August 31, 2010 will host iCRSP meeting.
 - vii. A pilot program, health professionals in the classroom; all 7th graders have this class. Plan, next spring look towards more professions in more classrooms.
- e. Sim Labs
 - i. Various experts utilized during survey process have agreed to conference call about having a meeting; 2 month follow-up.
 - ii. Team IL/MCHC have offered to provide support for this project

- iii. ICN gave specifics re: next steps including defining collaboration: in springtime simulation lab summit, map out on the call next steps. Convene call in the next few weeks.

5. Data update

- a. IDFPR Board of Nursing Annual survey – mandated by Nurse Practice Act Rules, mandate nursing education programs to respond to certain questions on an annual basis to maintain approval. Survey, including definitions that were vetted through many sources, has remained unchanged for the past three years. The ICN website, www.nursing.illinois.gov, has the past five years of data, annual NCLEX pass rates, the number students admitted and graduating.
- b. ICN Workforce survey: development and vetting of questions targeted at IL nursing population, determination of data collection per both Health Service Area (HSA) and Economic Development Region (EDR) for comparison with the 2007 ICN nursing workforce survey finalized over this past year. Due to temporary budgetary constraints survey not funded this year; plan to develop and submit RFP to conduct survey in the fall 2011.

Discussion: funding alternatives such as AARP foundation, NCSBN, potential interagency collaborative efforts. Warehousing of data is a concern.

- c. Preliminary results of a post-licensure nursing education program survey were presented. In Illinois there are thirty three baccalaureate completion programs (BSNC) programs listed on the ICN website. Seven are public schools and twenty-six are private schools. Four of these programs are approved by IBHE, but provide only nursing prerequisite courses for pre-licensure baccalaureate programs. Initial surveys to IL BSNC programs were modeled after the IDFPR BON annual survey and distributed along with a curriculum review that contained information obtained from individual school websites. Surveys were re-distributed early spring 2010. This resulted in an approximate 75% return rate as 20/29 programs responded.
- d. Results were compiled into ranges and averages. Information is still in draft format, but seven schools do not have an upper limit as to the number of students that they will admit, 1/3 of the schools have increased the number of seats available between FY2007-2009, the overwhelming majorities of students are enrolled part-time and take an average of 2-3 years to complete this process. Curriculum review is very preliminary at this time.

e. Graduate nursing education:

Discussion of Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree.

IBHE continues to receive additional requests for approval, including on-line programs. Registered nurses who want to advance their education, but who are not interested in research or teaching, have the option of obtaining a doctor of nursing practice (DNP or DrNP) degree. The DNP is a professional degree that focuses on the skills of advanced practice nursing. In 2004 the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) voted to endorse the Position Statement of the Practice Doctorate in Nursing. This decision called for moving the current level of preparation necessary for advanced nursing practice from the master's degree to the doctorate-level by the year 2015. (Resource document:

AACN Fact Sheet: The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), last updated March 20, 2010). In Illinois there are currently 18 DNP Programs.

Discussion: what criteria exemplify a quality program? One AACN document routinely used to build a curriculum around is “Essentials of Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice”, published October 30, 2006. This document defines the curricular elements and competencies that must be present in a practice doctorate in nursing. The DNP Essentials are posted online at <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/DNP/pdf/Essentials.pdf>

Any DNP program with a significant on-line component must be evaluated very carefully; especially the clinical component. There is the possibility that the student may not have a nursing background, may go through the masters entry program, and then enter a DNP program.

- Questions;
 - How many medical degrees on-line; how many PharmD on-line?
 - How many PhysTherapy on-line?
 - Are there any other disciplines do this?

More programs are moving towards requiring a DNP. Questions include do employers understand the difference between master’s degree and DNP preparation – needs be some kind of clear description for what an individual is prepared to do. Number of years of education, for the DNP it is 3 years, depends on whether the program is post-masters or post-baccalaureate. Post-masters is a year/plus=capstone project. By 2015 this DNP will not be so unique, so unusual. In some states BON does not regulate nursing programs – per legislation must meet national accreditation. An additional consideration: if there is a mandate to have a certain level of graduate education by a certain date, the fact that many institutions do not have a doctorate in any field, will this decrease the number of potential seats for nurses in graduate programs?

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch

NEW BUSINESS

1. FY2010 ICN Review – for discussion purposes, a draft grid incorporating ICN Mission, Vision, Goals and actions from BOD meetings was distributed and reviewed in brief.
2. March 2010 IL Department of Insurance Document: “Illinois Department of Insurance Highlights Near-term Changes Resulting from National Health Insurance Reform”. The IL Dept Insurance website, www.insurance.illinois.gov provides detailed information, fact sheets, and other resources to inform Illinois consumers. This document includes brief descriptions of some of the immediate changes resulting from the Health Care Reform Act.

Discussion includes continued monitoring of information, how are we publicizing these changes, prevention – possible include expanded role for nurses, already included expanded funding for NP education. Some reforms will not be grandfathered, will need to continue monitoring.

2:00 pm, meeting adjourned.