



**Scope of Practice Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2021**

The Scope of Practice Committee of the Arizona State Board of Nursing convened at 10:00 am, Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 1740 W. Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona in Conference Room C, and by virtual connection.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

- Alexander Woodruff, RN, MSN, CCRN
- Andrea Walters, BAN, RN, CPAN
- Angela Miranda, MSN, RN
- Angie Bannochie, RNC-NIC, BSN
- Beth Nillen, RN, BSN,
- \*JD Inactive status while pursuing nursing
- Debbie Barrett-Bryson, BSN, MSN-Ed, MHA, RNC-OB, CCE, CCM
- Eileen Smith, MSN, ACNS-BC, RN-BC
- Jane Sederstrom, MSN, RN, CCR,NAGCNS-BC
- Jennifer Ernst, MSN, MS, RN, GCNS-BC
- Josienne Prinz, RN, MSN, MHA, CCRN
- Kim Day, DNP, RN
- Lorenza "Lori" Villegas-Murphy, MSN, RN
- Robert Wallace, RN, MSN
- Elizabeth Boyer, RN, BSN, Board Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

- Ashley Lax, RN, BSN, CANS
- Cyndi Luciano, RN, MSN, MBA
- Fernando Trinidad, LPN, MS
- Marie Murray, RN, BSN, CCRN, MS NED
- Sheryl Parfitt, MSN, RNC-OB
- Sherrie Palmier, Program Evaluator
- Cecelia Anderson, BSN, RN, Board Member

**BOARD STAFF PRESENT**

- Judy Bontrager, RN, MN
- Ruth Kish, MN, RN

**GUESTS PRESENT**

On file

**Call to Order:**

Elizabeth Boyer, called the meeting to order at 10:12 am.

**I. Introductions**

A roll call was conducted of those on line and guests. Angie Bannochie, Judy Bontrager and Ruth Kish were present in the meeting room. All others attended virtually.

**II. Review and Approval of minutes. N/A**

### III. Advisory Opinions approved at the September 24-25 Board Meeting.

- A. Registered Nurse First Assistant-RNFA
- B. Laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Band (LAGB)
- C. Intranasal Administration of Midazolam (Versed) for treatment of signs and symptoms of Acute Seizure Outside the Clinical Setting
- D. Determination of Death: Role of the RN/LPN
- E. Lumbar puncture
- F. External Jugular Cannulation for Peripheral IV (EJPIV) and/or Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter(EJPICC)
- G. Intrauterine/Intracervical Insemination
- H. Punch & Shave Biopsies Performed by RN
- I. Decision Tree for CNA/LNA

### IV. Review of Current Advisory Opinions

- A. Ventilator Care by LPNs- Angie Bannochie, Josie Prinz, Alex Woodruff  
Guests Chani Feldman, RN, Katrina Blaine RN, Lisa Foster, RN, Judy Lynch, RN, and multiple guests whose names are on file.

**Discussion:** Bannochie led the discussion on the opinion, which prohibits LPNs from doing tracheostomy tube changes for regularly scheduled needs of home health patients. Discussion items included: the need for two persons to be present for a trach tube change, the role of the family, training for emergent procedures, scheduling of routine changes, and input from other state home health agencies about the procedures in their states. Bannochie developed a draft of possible wording for a change in the AZ advisory opinion. It was determined by the group that the changes discussed by the team be proposed to the SOP at the March 2, 2021, meeting.

**Recommendation:** A motion was made by Elizabeth Boyer to continue this item to the March meeting

**Action Taken/Responsible:** Judy Bontrager will place on March 2021 SOP agenda.

- B. Vascular Closure Device Deployment by the RN-Andrea Walters, Alex Woodruff, Denise Lewis  
**Discussion:** Andrea Walters led the discussion, stating there was no new literature on the matter, and other states had dropped the topic from their AO database. The Vascular Closure Device Deployment by the RN was first approved in 1990.

**Recommendation:** A motion was made by Walters and seconded by Nillen, and it was voted unanimously to retire the AO.

**Action Taken/Responsible:** Judy Bontrager will place this action on the January, 2021 Board agenda.

- C. Standing Orders, Protocols, Preprinted Orders & Order Sets (AKA: Decision Support Tools)-Robert Wallace, Jane Sederstrom, Jennifer Ernst, Beth Nillen, Ashley Lax.

**Discussion:** Robert Wallace presented and there was discussion about the content of this AO and the immunization administration AO (Item VI.D below.)

**Recommendation:** Boyer made a motion and Wallace seconded and it was approved for the teams for items C and D to work together and present a possibly combined AO to the March meeting.

- D. Immunization Administration Using a Nursing Protocol- Cyndi Luciano, Jennifer Ernst, Beth Nillen, Angie Bannochie, Alex Woodruff.

See above discussion.

**Action Taken/Responsible:** Judy Bontrager will place the items as modified on the March, 2021, SOP meeting agenda.

**E. Complimentary Alternatives-**Ashley Lax, Eileen Smith, Sheryl Parfitt, Robert Wallace, Kim Day

**Discussion:** Discussion was postponed to the March, 2021 SOP meeting.

**Action taken/Responsible:** Judy Bontrager will place on the March 2021 SOP agenda.

**F. Auricular Acupuncture-**Robert Wallace, Lori Villegas-Murphy, Guests Dr. Aram Mardian, Dr. Juli Olson

**Discussion:** Lori Murphy led the discussion and Drs. Mardian and Olson commented on a video presentation they prepared for the meeting. The presentation materials compared several types of acupuncture procedures, with the intent of requesting the committee to prepare an AO for Board approval for the concept of RNs performing “BFA” or Battlefield Acupuncture, as a medically ordered, “protocolized” procedure for pain control and other applications in the Arizona. The procedure is presently performed by RNs in VA facilities throughout the country. Sources for education were discussed, and it was noted that general auricular acupuncture and National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (NADA) have different training requirements and occupational designations and are under the Board of acupuncture.

**Recommendation:** Wallace, Murphy and the team will review the present AO and present any recommendations to the SOP committee at the March 2, 2021 meeting.

**Action Taken/Responsible:** J. Bontrager will place on March, 2021 SOP agenda.

**V. New Topics for Discussion**

**A. Chronic Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis-**Lori Villegas-Murphy

**Discussion:** There was discussion of whether an AO regarding the RN role in dialysis was necessary since there is a specific AO for LPN practice.

**Recommendation:** No action at this time

**B. Sign-up for Advisory Opinions to be reviewed in 2021**

**Discussion:** J Bontrager reviewed the AO group assignments will complete the list and bring to the March meeting.

**C. Dates for SOP meetings in FY 2021. Information only**

**D. Potential SOP members for 6/2021-6/2023**

J Bontrager reviewed the term dates for members and invited members who wish continue a second term to state their willingness to do so. Bontrager and Kish will update the list and review the resumes submitted by new applicants. Potential new members will be presented for Board approval at the May 27-28 Board meeting. The new term will begin on June 2, 2021.

**E. SOP Questions Regarding Surgical Smoke Evacuation.**

Kim Day will review the matter and report back if an AO might be appropriate. Input from AORN is that concerns about smoke evacuation in the OR would be considered through legislation or regulation.

**Next meeting date is March 2, 2021, at 10:00 AM.**

**Location: TBD**

## **VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Ruth Kish, RN, MN

Draft Minutes submitted to the Board on January 29, 2021

Minutes to be approved by the Scope of Practice Committee on March 2, 2021

JB/RK