

Minutes

Open Session

Board Meeting

DATE: February 26, 2026

KNOWLEDGE CARRIER: Syexwáliya

ATTENDEES: Tanya Momtazian (Chair); Ashley Gueret (Vice-Chair); David Ayriss; Leisa Belanger; Jenny Damstrom; Tiffany Sayers; Sangeeta Subramanian

REGRETS: Pinder Cheema; Rose Melnyk

STAFF: Natasha Prodan-Bhalla; Louise Aerts; Natasha Dookie; Katherine Graham; Daniel Lafléche; Christine Penney; Jacqueline Per; Rebekah Smith; Alison Wainwright; Dave Bhauruth; Ali Punjani; Arminster Sihat

Approval of Open Consent Agenda

The Board moved item 1(c) – *Alignment of LPN, NP, RN, and RPN Practice Standards with Regulations* – from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

The Board approved the remaining consent agenda for the open session:

- a) The minutes for the open session of the Board meeting held on November 27, 2025 were approved.
- b) The minutes for the Board email meeting held on January 23, 2026 were approved.
- c) **WHEREAS** the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised practice standards *Midwives: Medications and Substances* and *Midwives: Screening and Diagnostic Tests & Imaging* as set out in Appendices B and C of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board, a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the Board has considered those practice standards and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the practice standards set out in Appendices B and C as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure

compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the revised practice standards *Midwives: Medications and Substances* set out in Appendix B and *Midwives: Screening and Diagnostic Tests & Imaging* set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of the practice standards *Midwives: Medications and Substances* set out in Appendix B and *Midwives: Screening and Diagnostic Tests & Imaging* set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note into BCCNM Bylaws, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established *Medication and Substances Standards Limits and Conditions* and *Screening and Diagnostic Tests and Imaging Standards Limits and Conditions* practice standards consequential to the *Midwives: Medications and Substances* set out in Appendix B and *Midwives: Screening and Diagnostic Tests & Imaging* set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note coming into effect.

CARRIED

- d) **WHEREAS** the Professional Practice and Standards Committee LPN, NP, RN, RPN Panel (the “Committee”) has reviewed the *Nurses: Preventing Transmission of Communicable Diseases* practice standard set out in Appendix C of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the practice standard and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the *Nurses: Preventing Transmission of Communicable Diseases* practice standard set out in Appendix C as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the *Nurses: Preventing Transmission of Communicable Diseases* practice standard set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of *Nurses: Preventing Transmission of Communicable Diseases* practice standard set out in Appendix C into BCCNM Bylaws, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established NP & RN *Communicable Diseases: Preventing Nurse-to-Client Transmission* and LPN *Communicable Diseases: Preventing Nurse-to-Client Transmission* practice standards consequential to the *Nurses: Preventing Transmission of Communicable Diseases* practice standard included in Appendix C of the Briefing Note coming into effect as bylaws.

CARRIED

e) **WHEREAS** the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the *Certified Midwives Practice Standards* set out in Appendix B and staff have drafted the quality assurance requirements contained in the *Policy on Additional Currency Requirements for Certified Licensees* set out in Appendix C of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), copies of which have been presented to the BCCNM Board, and the Committee has recommended the *Certified Midwives Practice Standards* to the BCCNM Board for approval and staff have recommended the *Policy on Additional Currency Requirements for Certified Licensees* to the Board for approval;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the practice standards and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the *Policy on Additional Currency Requirements for Certified Licensees* and accepts staff recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the practice standards set out in Appendix B as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the *Certified Midwives Practice Standards* set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of *Certified Midwives Practice Standards* into BCCNM Bylaws, as set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the *Policy on Additional Currency Requirements for Certified Licensees* set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established *Midwives Specialized Practice Frameworks* listed in Appendix A consequential to the *Certified Midwives Practice Standards* included in Appendix B coming into effect as bylaws and the *Policy on Additional Currency Requirements for Certified Licensees* set out in Appendix C of the Briefing Note coming into effect.

CARRIED

- f) **WHEREAS** the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the *Midwives: Privacy and Confidentiality* practice standard set out in Appendix A of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the *Midwives: Privacy and Confidentiality* practice standard and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the *Midwives: Privacy and Confidentiality* practice standard set out in Appendix A as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the *Midwives: Privacy and Confidentiality* practice standard set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of *Midwives: Privacy and Confidentiality* practice standard into BCCNM Bylaws, as set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026.

CARRIED

Alignment of LPN, NP, RN, and RPN Practice Standards with Regulations

The Board removed this item from the consent agenda to ask about one of the limits and conditions for registered nurses acting under client-specific orders, noted by staff for future policy review. The Board asked to be kept apprised of ongoing policy work in future briefings.

The Board approved the resolution recommended, without change:

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised practice standards set out in Appendices B, C, D, E, F, and G of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered those practice standards and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the revised practice standards set out in Appendices B, C, D, E, F, and G as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the revised practice standards set out in Appendices B, C, D, E, F, and G of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of those practice standards into BCCNM Bylaws, as set out in Appendix B, C, D, E, F, and G of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established practice standards tabulated in the “Practice Standard” column in Table 1 in Appendix A consequential to the practice standards included in in Appendices B, C, D, E, F, and G of the Briefing Note coming into effect as bylaws.

CARRIED

Midwives: Regulatory Supervision of Students

The Board reviewed a new practice standard outlining midwife responsibilities for regulatory supervision.

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the new practice standard *Midwives: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix A of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the new practice standard and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the practice standard set out in Appendix A as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the new practice standard *Midwives: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of the practice standard *Midwives: Regulatory Supervision of Students* into BCCNM Bylaws, as set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026.

CARRIED

Updates to the to the *Regulatory Supervision of Students*, the *NP Scope of Practice Part 2, A: Regulatory Supervision of NP Student Restricted Activities* and the *Employed Student Registrant Practice Standards*

The Board reviewed a request to rescind existing nursing practice standards related to authorizing student activities (including employed student registrants) and replace with updated practice standards.

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised practice standards *Nurses: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix D and *Employed Student Licensees* set out in Appendix E of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered those practice standards and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the practice standards set out in Appendices D and E as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the revised practice standards *Nurses: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix D and *Employed Student Licensees* set out in Appendix E of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of the practice standards *Nurses: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix D and *Employed Student Licensees* set out in Appendix E into BCCNM Bylaws, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established *Regulatory Supervision of Students*; *Nurse Practitioners Scope of Practice Part 2, A: Regulatory Supervision of Nurse Practitioner Student Restricted Activities*; and *Employed Student Registrants* practice standards consequential to the *Nurses: Regulatory Supervision of Students* set out in Appendix D and *Employed Student Licensees* set out in Appendix E of the Briefing Note coming into effect as bylaws.

CARRIED

Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers Practice Standard

The Board reviewed a request to rescind two nursing practice standards related to delegation to unregulated care providers and replace with a single practice standard for all nursing professions. The Board expressed its concern at the risks of delegating client care to providers operating outside of regulation but acknowledged this as a reality of the current healthcare system.

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* set out in Appendix B of the Board Briefing Note dated February 11, 2026 and prepared for the February 26, 2026 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board, a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board for approval on the recommendation of the Committee;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board is satisfied that delegated activities may, if the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* standard is complied with, be performed without causing harm;

AND WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that approving the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard set out in Appendix B as bylaws of BCCNM under the authority of the *Health Professions Act* is necessary to ensure compliance with and the smooth transition to the *Health Professions and Occupations Act* as contemplated by section 538;

AND WHEREAS the Board is acting in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act* and subject to the filing with the Minister of Health as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board approves the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the conversion of the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard into BCCNM Bylaws, as set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note, to take effect on April 1, 2026;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established *Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* and *Working with Health Care Assistants* practice standards consequential to the *Nurses: Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard included in Appendix B of the Briefing Note coming into effect as bylaws.

CARRIED

Quality Assurance RM Policies

In anticipation of the *Health Professions and Occupations Act*, the Board reviewed a request to rescind existing policies relating to quality assurance requirements and processes across the regulated professions. The Board was informed that QA policy approval would be under the purview of the Registrar after the new legislation came into effect.

WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has reviewed and considered the information outlined in the briefing note dated January 20, 2026, and prepared for the February 26, 2026, BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”);

RESOLVED THAT that the BCCNM Board rescind the following documents, effective April 1, 2026:

1. *Policy on Active Practice Requirements*
2. *Policy on Alternate Practice Arrangements*
3. *Policy on Peer Case Review*
4. *Policy on New Registrant Requirements*
5. *Quality Assurance Program Framework for RMs*
6. *Quality Assurance Program: Prescribing Controlled Substances*

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as of April 1, 2026, the above documents will be replaced by policies to be established in accordance with BCCNM Bylaws.

CARRIED

Operations Report

The Board received a report about BCCNM internal operations being an update from the last board meeting in November 2025.

[End of open session]

