

Minutes

OPEN SESSION

Board Meeting

DATE/TIME: January 26, 2023 | 10:10am to 12:45pm

ATTENDEES: Yvonne Savard (Chair); Pinder Cheema (Vice-Chair); Leisa Belanger; Janene Erickson; Tanya Momtazian; Rose Melnyk; Ruth Ringland; Madelon Stevens; Sangeeta Subramanian

REGRETS: Rick Turner

STAFF: Cynthia Johansen; Christine Penney; Daniel Laflèche; Louise Aerts; Sandra Regan; Janice Penner; Monica Redekopp; Dave Bhauruth; Jenny Cheung; Rosanna Gonzalez Paredes; Arminder Sihat

The open session was called to order at 10:10am.

Approval of Open Consent Agenda

RESOLVED THAT the consent agenda for the open session of the BCCNM Board meeting held on January 26, 2023 be approved:

- a) **RESOLVED THAT** the minutes for the open session of the BCCNM Board meeting held on November 24, 2022 be approved.

- b) **WHEREAS** the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised Nurse Practitioner Scope of Practice: Standards, Limits and Conditions: D: Mental Health & Capacity Assessments, set out in Appendix A of the Board Briefing Note dated 16 January 2023 and prepared for the 26 January 2023 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board, and the Committee has recommended those new standards, limits and conditions to the BCCNM Board for approval,

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered those revised standards, limits and conditions and accepts the recommendation of the NP panel of the Committee;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established Nurse Practitioner Scope of Practice: Standards, Limits and Conditions: D: Advanced Assessments, and in their place approves the Nurse Practitioner Scope of Practice: Standards, Limits and Conditions: D: Mental Health & Capacity Assessments, as set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these standards are brought into effect when the changes to add “nurse practitioner” to the Mental Health Act in section 22 (Involuntary Admission) and section 28 (Emergency Procedures) are in force.

CARRIED

Approval of Open Agenda

RESOLVED THAT the open agenda for the BCCNM Board meeting held on January 26, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED

Update to Registered Nurse, Registered Psychiatric Nurse, and Nurse Practitioner Practice: *Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers Practice Standard*

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed proposed amendments to the registered nurse and nurse practitioner *Delegating Tasks to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard as set out in Appendix A of the Board Briefing Note dated January 17, 2023 and prepared for the January 26, 2023 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board, and the Committee has recommended those proposed amendments to the *Delegating Tasks to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard to the BCCNM Board for approval;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered those proposed amendments to the *Delegating Tasks to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

RESOLVED that the BCCNM Board rescinds the previously established registered nurse and nurse practitioner *Delegating Tasks to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard, and in its place approves the amended registered nurse, registered psychiatric nurse, and nurse practitioner *Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the amended *Delegation to Unregulated Care Providers* practice standard set out in Appendix B of the Briefing Note be in effect 30 days after approval by the BCCNM Board.

CARRIED

Break at 10:50am

Meeting resumed at 11:00am

Nurse Practitioner Standards, Limits and Conditions for Medical Assistance in Dying when Mental Disorder is the Sole Underlying Medical Condition

WHEREAS the Professional Practice and Standards Committee (the “Committee”) has reviewed the revised limits and conditions for nurse practitioners on Medical Assistance in Dying set out in Appendix A of the Board Briefing Note dated 16 January 2023 and prepared for the 26 January 2023 BCCNM Board meeting (the “Briefing Note”), a copy of which has been presented to the BCCNM Board, and the Committee has recommended this new limit to the BCCNM Board for approval;

AND WHEREAS the BCCNM Board has considered these revised limits and conditions and accepts the Committee’s recommendation;

RESOLVED THAT the BCCNM Board rescinds all previously established limits and conditions for nurse practitioners on Medical Assistance in Dying, and in their place approves the revised limits and conditions for nurse practitioners on Medical Assistance in Dying set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note;

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the limits and conditions for nurse practitioners on Medical Assistance in Dying set out in Appendix A of the Briefing Note are in effect upon the repeal of s. 241.2(2.1) of the *Criminal Code*.

CARRIED

M. Redekopp, D. Bhauruth, and J. Cheung left at 11:09am

Revised Entry-Level Competencies for Nurse Practitioners

The Board reviewed revised Entry-Level Competencies for nurse practitioners, as endorsed by the Board of the Canadian Council of Registered Nurse Regulators (CCRN). The competencies had been developed following significant national and jurisdictional consultation to better reflect the roles and expectations of nurse practitioners in today’s healthcare environment.

RESOLVED THAT the BCCNM Board rescinds the previously established Entry-Level Competencies for Nurse Practitioners and in its place approves the revised Entry-Level Competencies for Nurse Practitioners in Appendix A to the Briefing Note presented to the Board on January 26, 2023;

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the revised Entry-Level Competencies for Nurse Practitioners come into effect on January 1, 2024 for the purposes of BCCNM recognition of nurse practitioner education programs offered by post-secondary educational institutions in British Columbia.

CARRIED

S. Regan and J. Penner left the meeting at 11:14am

Proposed Bylaw Amendments: Multijurisdictional Registration for LPN, RN, and RPN

The Board reviewed proposed bylaw revisions to enable a multijurisdictional form of registration. The Board was informed that its approval of these draft bylaws was only a first step in the process: public consultation on the bylaws would take place, as well as other work once the bylaws were in effect (such as establishing agreements between BCCNM and other regulatory bodies).

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the authority established in section 19(1) of the *Health Professions Act*, and subject to filing with the minister as required under section 19(3) of the *Health Professions Act*, the Board amends the bylaws of the British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives, by repealing the current bylaws and substituting the attached new bylaws, a redline markup of the current bylaws showing the amendments.

[Attachment: Appendix B to the briefing note dated January 17, 2023]

CARRIED

Financial and Investment Update

The Board received a financial update and 2023 forecast from the Chief Officer, Operations, on behalf of the Finance and Audit Committee.

Operations Report

The Board received an overview of current operational activities and an update on the College's progress against the Cultural Safety and Humility action plan. The Board also provided guidance on reporting against strategic priorities.

The open session concluded at 12:45pm.

Lunch, after which the Board convened its in-camera session at 1:15pm.