

Minutes

OPEN SESSION

Board Meeting

DATE/TIME:	January 28, 2021
ATTENDEES:	Rob Calnan (Chair); Yvonne Savard (Vice-Chair); Colin Bennett; Pinder Cheema (part); Janene Erickson; Tanya Momtazian; Ruth Ringland; Madelon Stevens; Rick Turner
REGRETS:	Sangeeta Subramanian
STAFF:	Cynthia Johansen; Bradley Chisholm; Katherine Graham; Daniel Laflèche; Christine Penney; Louise Aerts (part); Elizabeth Elliot (part); Sandra Regan (part); Monica Redekopp (part); Rebekah Smith (part); Daryl Beckett (part); Arminder Sihah; Rosanna Gonzalez Paredes
GUESTS:	Joe Gallagher

BCCNM's offices are located on unceded Coast Salish territory, represented today by the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

The Board convened its open session of the board meeting at 9:57am.

Approval of Consent Agenda

RESOLVED THAT the consent agenda for the open session of the BCCNM Board meeting held on January 28, 2021 be approved.

- a) **RESOLVED THAT** the minutes for the open session of the BCCNM board meeting held on November 26, 2020 be approved.
- b) RPN Scope of Practice: Immunoprophylactic Agents

RESOLVED THAT the Board approves the amended registered psychiatric nurse scope of practice limits and conditions as outlined in Appendix B to the briefing note dated January 19, 2021.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the registered psychiatric nurse scope of practice limits and conditions as outlined in Appendix B be in effect upon board approval.

c) Virtual Care RN/NP Telehealth Standard

RESOLVED THAT the Board approves rescinding the Registered Nurse/Nurse Practitioner Practice Standard – *Telehealth*, referenced in Appendix A to the briefing note dated January 19, 2021.

d) Regulatory Committee Appointments

RESOLVED THAT Kathleen Westlin be appointed to the BCCNM Inquiry Committee effective immediately for a term ending on January 31, 2022.

RESOLVED THAT Jennifer Grapes be appointed to the BCCNM Inquiry Committee effective immediately for a term ending on January 31, 2022.

RESOLVED THAT Laurie Dokis be appointed to the BCCNM Inquiry Committee effective immediately for a term ending on January 31, 2024.

RESOLVED THAT Victor Brittain be appointed as Chair of the BCCNM Quality Assurance Committee effectively for a term ending on January 31, 2022.

CARRIED

Approval of Open Agenda

RESOLVED THAT the open agenda for the BCCNM board meeting held on January 28, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

Update to RN and RPN Prescribing for Opioid Use Disorder

The Board received the report from the Nursing Policy Consultant and moved the discussion to the closed session to receive legal advice.

The Board resumed its closed session at 10:09am.

The Board resumed its open session at 10:28am.

The Board approved the updated registered nurse and registered psychiatric nurse scope of practice limits and conditions when prescribing for opioid use disorder to reduce overdose deaths.

RESOLVED THAT the Board approves the following:

- a. Registered nurse scope of practice limits and conditions when prescribing for opioid use disorder as set out in Appendix C to the briefing note dated January 19, 2021,
- b. Registered psychiatric nurse scope of practice limits and conditions when prescribing for opioid use disorder as set out in Appendix D to the briefing note dated January 19, 2021.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the registered nurse scope of practice limits and conditions when prescribing for opioid use disorder will be in effect until the date that the September 16, 2020 order of the Provincial Health Officer titled “Registered Nurse and Registered Psychiatric Nurse Public Health Pharmacotherapy” ends.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the registered psychiatric nurse scope of practice limits and conditions when prescribing for opioid use disorder will be in effect until the date that the September 16, 2020 order of the Provincial Health Officer titled “Registered Nurse and Registered Psychiatric Nurse Public Health Pharmacotherapy” ends.

CARRIED

E Elliot, M Redekopp, R Smith, S Regan, and D Beckett left the meeting at 10:30am
P Cheema left the meeting at 10:30am

Operations Report

The Board received an overview of the College’s strategic planning and operational activities.

The Board resumed its closed session at 10:33am.

The Board resumed its open session at 2:11pm.

L Aerts and S Regan joined the meeting at 2:11pm

J Gallagher joined the meeting 2:22pm

Registered Midwife Entry-Level Competencies

The Board received the report and approved the revised entry-level competencies for registered midwives:

WHEREAS the midwife entry-level competencies have been revised through a national project commissioned by the Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council, in which BCCNM midwife registrants, key stakeholders, and BCCNM staff participated during 2020;

WHEREAS the approval of the revised midwife entry-level competencies by participating midwifery regulatory bodies across Canada supports the required compliance with the Canadian Free Trade Agreement;

WHEREAS the entry level competencies are used for regulatory purposes, including but not limited to:

- Education Program Review.
- Assessment of applicants seeking re-instatement of registration.
- Assessment of internationally educated applicants seeking registration.
- Input into the content and scope of entry-to-practice exams.
- Regulatory practice consultation and advisement in practice and education.
- Reference for professional conduct matters.
- Public and employer awareness of the practice expectations of registered midwives.

RESOLVED THAT the BCCNM Board approve the revised Canadian Competencies for Midwives as BCCNM’s Entry-Level Competencies for Registered Midwives in Appendix A to the briefing note presented to the Board on January 28, 2021.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the revised Canadian Competencies for Midwives come into effect December 1st, 2021 for the following regulatory purposes, including but not limited to:

- Education program review
- Assessment of applicants seeking re-instatement of registration.
- Assessment of internationally educated applicants seeking registration.
- Input into the content and scope of entry-to-practice exams.
- Regulatory practice consultation and advisement in practice and education.
- Reference for professional conduct matters.
- Public and employer awareness of the practice expectations of registered midwives.

CARRIED

S Regan left the meeting at 2:25pm

The open session of the meeting concluded at 2:25pm.

Next meetings:

- April 28, 2021
- June 23, 2021
- September 23, 2021
- November 25, 2021