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Board Membership *(as of the Date This Report was Approved)*

Date of Final Board Approval: 5/14/2025

RN- Danette Schloeder, Chair
RN- Lena Lafferty
RN-Educator- Marianne Murray
APRN-April Erickson
LPN- Vacant
Public Member- Michael Collins, Secretary
Public Member- Cheryl "CJ" Payne

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Accomplishments

The Alaska Board of Nursing (BON) initiated or completed the following regulation projects:

Initiated Regulation Projects:

- Add language to the licensing regulation regarding issuing a temporary permit during the reinstatement process
- Update verbiage in 12 AAC 44.740(c)
- Update the language of the timeframe of when to use the reinstatement process for each license type

Completed Regulation Projects

- Updated verbiage around English Language Proficiency Exam requirements
- Added language to Nurse Aide Curriculum for dementia training
- LPN Scope of Practice, adopt by reference

Additionally, the BON:

- Reviewed, updated, or retired Advisory Opinions
- Completed annual review of national certifying bodies for Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN)
- Approved 9 Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) educational sites for a two- year approval
- Reviewing Advanced Resuscitation Course education for continuing education
- Initiated Alternative to Probation program standard operating procedure
- Discussion and evaluation of Delegation regulations
- Reviewed and approved Schools of Nursing prelicensure programs
 - University of Alaska (ADN and BSN) programs
 - Charter College (ADN)
 - Alaska Pacific University (ADN and LPN) programs

The University of Alaska Fairbanks LPN program, provided a program update and remains in provisional status.

The BON is reviewing and updating the Medication Administration Course process.

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Activities

Danette Schloeder is the Area 1 Director on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Board of Directors and participated in meetings and strategic planning this fiscal year.

August 2024 Meeting Activity Report

- Danette represented the BON at Alaska Native Medical Center Leadership Training. She discussed the nursing licensure and the discipline process.
- Danette participated in activities with the legislative audit of the BON.
- Danette attended NCSBN Board meetings in May and July. A report of all NCSBN Board Meetings is available in the consent agenda and in the public board book.
- April has attended the NCSBN APRN Round Table meeting.
- April represents the BON on the Alaska Med Spa Work Group. This group is working on joint regulations for healthcare licensing boards.
- Patty attended the Alaska Nursing Workforce Development Meetings, provided updates to the Northwest Organization of Nurse Leaders (NWNOL), provided BON updates to Alaska Nurse Practitioner Association (ANPA), and attended the NCSBN Executive Summit in June.

November 2024 Meeting Activity Report

- Danette, Lena, Patty, and Kelly Olson attended NCSBN annual meeting and delegate assembly. Patty and Lena were the Alaska delegates.
- April continued her work on the Med Spa Task Force.
- Danette attended two NCSBN board meetings, as well as the Organization of Associate Degree Nursing (OADN) meeting on behalf of the NCSBN board.
- Patty and Danette attended the NCSBN Leadership and Health Policy Conference.

February 2025 Meeting Activity Report:

- April Erickson continued her work on the Med Spa Task Force
- Danette attended the December NCSBN Board Meeting.
- Marianne presented at the December CNA Educators Conference

May 2025 Meeting Activity Report:

- Danette and Patty Attended the NCSBN Mid-Year Meeting in March
- Danette attended the Tri Regulators Conference along with a representative from the Board of Pharmacy.
- Patty provided a Board of Nursing update to the AHHA Leadership Council
- April continued her work on the Med Spa Task Force
- Danette presented the Alternative to Probation program to Providence Leadership
- Board members received education on Defensible Decision Making
- Danette attended the February and May NCSBN Board Meeting
- Danette and Investigator attended the NCSBN Discipline and Case Management Conference in April
- Danette testified in support of SB 137 to extend the Board of Nursing
- Marianne Murray and CJ Payne were confirmed as New Board Members.

Other Board Activities:

- Ongoing communication with the PDMP
- Supports legislation for a Nurse Licensure Compact.
- Reviewing and implementing ideas to increase communications to the public.
- Successful Sunset Audit

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Needs

- The board LPN seat to be filled
- Evaluation and consideration of a CE counter software
- Two Board members to travel to and attend an in person legislation session.
- Support of Conferences and Education provided and funded by NSCBN.
- Education/Practice Nurse Consultant Position