

MINUTES (OPEN SESSION)

December 8, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (OPEN SESSION)

Proposed Adoption of ARC 6034C, Chapter 1, Administrative and Regulatory Authority

Proposed Adoption of ARC 6048C, Chapter 3, Licensure to Practice – Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse.

Proposed Adoption of ARC 6049C, Chapter 4, Discipline.

Proposed Notice of Intended Action to add new rules 655 IAC, Chapter 7, 7.9 and Chapter 6, 6.4

MILITARY SERVICE EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE APPLICATION (OPEN SESSION)

George Torgerson

EDUCATION (OPEN SESSION)

Nursing Education Program Report, submitted by Luther College, Decorah.

Nursing Education Program Report, submitted by Mt. Mercy University, Cedar Rapids.

Nursing Education Program Report, submitted by St. Luke's College, Sioux City.

Nursing Program Modifications, submitted by St. Luke's College, Sioux City.

Application for interim approval for the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, submitted by St. Luke's College, Sioux City.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report, submitted by Dordt University, Sioux Center.

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

Paramedic to BSN Program Progress Report, submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

Master of Science in Nursing: Organizational and Systems Leadership Program Progress Report, submitted by Mercy College of Health Sciences, Des Moines.

Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Progress Report, submitted by Morningside College, Sioux City.

RN to BSN Program Progress Report, submitted by Waldorf University, Forest City.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Progress Report, submitted by William Penn University, Oskaloosa.

Nursing Program Modifications submitted by Clarke University, Dubuque.

Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Iowa Wesleyan University, Mount Pleasant.

Nursing Curriculum Modifications submitted by Southwestern Community College, Creston.

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21-491 Cosette Boone-TC

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21-422 EMILY GOLDSBERRY-TC

A physician was upset Ms. Goldsberry was implanting testosterone pellets in a patient with prostate cancer (a contraindicated therapy), and failed to return a call he made to her about this concern. The board may find there is insufficient evidence to support the allegation.

21-448 ROCKWELL CITY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY-TC

An inmate complained he wasn't prescribed Xarelto at the prison, after UIHC providers advised this following an ER visit in August of this year. The board may find the standard of care was met.

21-449 ARLHY BEREBER-TC

A patient reported subpar care during a hospitalization following surgery. The board may find there is insufficient evidence to support the allegations.

21-493-TC

20-409 SANDRA ROHR-KB

A patient of this family practice ARNP alleged she failed to inform the patient of a diagnosis of aortic valve stenosis and failed to refer the patient to cardiology. The standard of care was met.

20-479 NICHOLE BLYTHE-KB

Ms. Blythe, RN is the director of Broadlawns Medical Center emergency services, including the Crisis Team. A social worker who was supervised by Ms. Blythe alleged harassment and retaliation. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-068 AMBER LACINA-KB

A client of this mental health ARNP reported she was unprofessional. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation. Ms. Lacina also received a citation and warning and fine from the Iowa Board of Pharmacy in January 2020 for writing CS prescriptions without a current CSA registration; she failed to report this to IBON. She is accountable for her actions and is unlikely to repeat this violation. The Board may consider sending a confidential letter of warning to the licensee.

21-366 LIZETTE NGAMALUE-KB

This individual submitted a transcript from a nursing PN program that is suspected of issuing fraudulently obtained degrees (NSNAH), however, there was a time when the degrees were legitimate. She was in the same class cohort as 21-370. She is licensed as an Iowa LPN and an employer reports her work performance was more than satisfactory. There is insufficient evidence that this individual's transcript is fraudulent.

21-370 FNU SOKEM NGALE MBUUH-KULLE-KB

This individual submitted a transcript from a nursing PN program that is suspected of issuing fraudulently obtained degrees (NSNAH), though there was a time when the degrees were legitimate. Unfortunately, that transcript was not scanned to her AMANDA file and cannot be reviewed. She was in the same class cohort as 21-366. She is licensed as an Iowa LPN. No nursing work records were available and licensee is currently out of the country. There is insufficient evidence that this individual's transcript is fraudulent.

21-373 NJAWE ELTON NGAMALUE-KB

This individual submitted an application for RN by endorsement stating he attended a nursing program that is under suspicion for issuing fraudulently obtained degrees (Siena). His RN application remains incomplete and the transcript has not been provided. He also has an active LPN license that was mistakenly issued as multi-state; further criminal history review revealed a felony so his LPN license should be single state and this has been corrected. He will be flagged for further review should he attempt to complete or submit a future RN endorsement application and there is a transcript provided to review.

21-374 FELANCIA FREDERICK-KB

This individual submitted an application for RN by endorsement and provided a transcript from a nursing program that is under suspicion for issuing fraudulently obtained degrees (PBSN). Her RN application is incomplete as she has not submitted a criminal background waiver. She will be flagged for further review should she attempt to complete or submit a future RN Exam application.

21-395 MAMIE SAO SACKIE PAYE-KB

This individual submitted an Iowa RN Exam application indicating a nursing program name and code that is under suspicion for issuing fraudulently obtained degrees (PBSN). She however attended and produced a transcript from a different program (MLI-Naples). At the time of her application there was a program code error in AMANDA that may have contributed to the mistake. She is employed as a RN and her nursing performance indicates no concerns. There is insufficient evidence that this individual's transcript was fraudulently obtained.

21-080 RUTH LESLINE-MB

Mercy in Sioux City reported that Ms. Lesline failed to perform assigned nursing duties. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegations.

21-181 SUZANNE BREWER-MB

Mercy in Sioux City reported Ms. Brewer practiced outside her scope of practice while on contract as a travel nurse. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-201 JENNIFER MALATEK-MB

It was reported that this agency nurse failed to properly care for a resident who had fallen. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-203 KATHLEEN BARNEY-MB

A patient's daughter complained Ms. Barney exhibited a lack of compassion and was unable to ensure the safety of her patient. The licensee is accountable for her action, has taken remedial steps since, and appears unlikely to repeat the violation.

21-257 ANGELA MORRIS-MB

A resident's family complained Ms. Morris refused their request to cover a resident's hands to potentially prevent self-harm. The complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.

21-235 JONATHON WOOD-MB

A prison inmate complained Mr. Wood did not administer his medications in a timely manner. The standard of care was met.

21-236 ANGELICA PORTILLO-MB

This case and case #21-237 are companion cases. A family member of a resident of a long term care facility reports she interceded preventing medication errors involving these two nurses. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-237 CELIA SPICER-MB

Same as above.

21-375 FORT DODGE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY-MB

A prison inmate complained he has been refused treatment. The standard of care was met. Treatment has been provided.

21-378 GRETCHEN BRINEGAR-MB

A tenant at the assisted living facility submitted (3) complaints alleging she provides substandard care. There is insufficient evidence to prove the allegations.

21-483 SHANNA JENKS-MB

It was reported that this nurse who is also a Pastor wrote a religious exemption for COVID vaccine. The complaint makes allegations that, even if true, are not violations of the Board's rules.

21-364 LORI SCHNECKLOTH-EH

Ms. Schneckloth had a qualifying debt making her license subject to sanction. The Department of Revenue has since withdrawn their certificate of non-compliance.

21-458 KAITLYN FEDLER-EH

A patient reported Ms. Fedler incorrectly charted on his patient records leading to him losing his job. The Board may determine there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegations.

21-498 KRISTEN ANTHONY-EH

Ms. Anthony reports on 11/01/21, she pled guilty to OWI 2nd offense. She received a substance abuse evaluation and has complied with the recommendations for outpatient treatment (sobriety date 05/27/21). Her employer is aware and has no practice concerns. The Board may determine the complaint does not relate to the licensee's ability to safely practice nursing but may wish to send an informal letter of education or warning.

21-519 JEREMY GARDEMANN-EH

On 10/05/21, Mr. Gardemann pled guilty and was granted a deferred judgment for Harassment due to an altercation with his husband. The Board may determine the complaint does not relate to the licensee's ability to safely practice nursing.

21-520 ASHLEY LUSSMAN-EH

Ms. Lussman self-reported that on 08/11/21, she pled guilty to OWI 2nd offense and on 10/04/21, she pled guilty to Theft 5th. She received an evaluation in which no treatment was recommended, however she was recommended to complete substance abuse education (verification of completion was received). The Board may determine that the complaint does not relate to the licensee's ability to safely practice nursing.

21-115 KIRSTEN JORDAN-AR

Ms. Jordan administered a drop of tea tree essential oil, mixed with water to the foot of a child to relieve symptoms of athlete's foot. The child reported the treatment was helpful though it was against the school district's policy for medication administration. The Board may find that the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.

21-139 ANDREW MARTIN-AR

A patient alleged that Mr. Martin neglected to refill his medications and neglected to communicate with him. The Board may find that the standard of care was met.

21-191 NICOLE FLANAGAN-AR

Three complainants alleged that Ms. Flanagan made racist posts and unprofessional posts to social media in regards to the incident involving George Floyd and the police. The Board may find that there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegations or that her comments are out of the Board's jurisdiction.

21-343 MARJORY KOPPELMAN-LO

It was alleged Ms. Koppelman provided medical advice in regards to the administration of medications that were not prescribed to said patient. The Board may find there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-346 TAYLOR SULA-LO

Two scripts were sent by fax to Walgreen's pharmacy, in lieu of an e-prescribing submission. Ms. Sula electronically signed the script which goes to the facility's partner pharmacy who sent it out as a same day request. It appears the one time incident involves the partner pharmacy and not specifically Ms. Sula. The Board may find there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-392 AMANDA MCLAIN-LO

Ms. Mclain submitted a resignation letter for two weeks, but chose to end employment earlier than the agreed upon date. All patients did receive care from another staff member. The Board may find the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.

21-404 LUKE HACHFELD-LO

When speaking with a patient's family member about a rash on the patient's abdominal skin fold, Mr. Hachfeld lifted his shirt up to tell her that a flat stomach would solve the problem. The Board may find the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident but may consider sending a confidential letter of warning or education to the licensee.

21-431 LISA WRIGHT-LO

An anonymous complaint was received stating Ms. Wright has been allowing 17 year old's to pass medications for her, has offered to forge vaccination cards and has been unprofessional in the workplace. The Board may find there is insufficient evidence to prove the allegation.

21-433 CAREY STEENHOEK-LO

On February 22, 2021, Ms. Steenhoek received a deferred judgment for OWI, First Offense. It was later expunged. Ms. Steenhoek completed treatment June 18, 2021. The Board may find the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.

21-471 YELSIDA NACANABO-LO

Ms. Nacanabo received a deferred judgment for Domestic Assault, simple and Harassment 1st degree in Blackhawk County, Iowa on July 16, 2021 after she was observed on home video pushing her husband into the room. The Board may find the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.

21-485 NICHOLE FEICKERT (FRITTS)-LO

Ms. Feickert (Fritts) worked on an inactive license for approximately 3 weeks without her knowledge. The Board may find the complaint involves a minor or isolated incident.