

Professional Standards Committee Report
NPO business meeting 10/2/10

Committee members: Lois Eaton Chair, Julia Gies, Jane Harrison Hohner, Jean Claude Provost

Primary Focus for Professional Standards 2009-10

- 1) Clarifying language around SBON Division 56 rules regarding compounding - Feedback and draft language presented to the SBON 6/17/10 after research including a meeting with 2 pharmacists, Professional Standards members, Max Tenschler, Anne Berry-Lever and Susan King. This language and intent was discussed with NPO members at the quarterly meeting 4/2010 and was accepted.
- 2) Finding ways to support nurse practitioners in private practice- several educational offerings arranged for the NPO conference, conference call with interested NPs in private practice 6/23/10, posting of link on NPO website to private practice resource
- 3) Interface with organizations supporting women's access to reproductive health care- conference call 6/21/10, attendance at stakeholder's meeting 6/30/10, presentation of Women's Health initiative from Michelle Stranger-Hunter of Oregon Foundation for Reproductive Health and subsequent endorsement by NPO for the initiative at the quarterly meeting 7/17.
- 4) Educating nurse practitioners regarding the role of SBON in license investigations in a Webinar 11/21/09 and on the risks of malpractice in a Webinar broadcast 3/13/10

Current Professional standards committee activities since 7/17/10:

Review and feedback of OFRH white paper, One Key Question: Integrating Best Practices for Reproductive Health into Primary Care for Women.

Attendance at SBON meeting 9/16/10 by Lois Eaton and Jane Harrison Hohner to hear the first reading of the draft language revising division 56 rules. The current draft statement includes definitions of compounding, legend drug, orphan drug and clarifies the exceptions to the FDA approved restrictions. This language will not be finalized until after further written input, which is due October 7. The second reading with public comment will be at the November 18 SBON meeting.

Rules adopted at the 9/16/10 SBON meeting included an amendment to Division 50 rules which allows national certification to count for 50% of the continuing education requirement. The requirement that new NPs licensed in Oregon have national certification will take effect 1/1/11. Already practicing NPs will be grandfathered.

The board also adopted rules clarifying the qualifying accrediting bodies for CNS continuing education requirements.

Respectfully submitted, Lois Eaton FNP, Chair