

FY2011 3rd Quarter Promoting Competency Report

Introduction

Promoting Competency is a high priority and is a proactive initiative to promote the Board’s mission of patient safety. Increasing knowledge of the laws and rules and regulations, a nurse has an opportunity to improve his or her practice, leading to safer practices and improved patient outcomes.

The Promoting Competency Report reflects learning opportunities offered by Board staff to promote continued competency for nurses in the state. The Promoting Competency Report includes the various formats Board staff utilizes to teach nursing jurisprudence and ethics, scope of practice, nursing delegation, nursing peer review, patient safety, and the disciplinary process.

Promoting Competency Initiatives

Workshops

The Board workshop *“Protecting Your Patients and Your Practice”* is conducted by Board staff throughout the State and marketed to nurses licensed within the geographic area of the workshop; however, nurses from all over the state frequently attend. The purpose of the workshop is to provide nurses with current information related to licensure laws which serve as the foundation for nursing practice. The workshops focus on key concepts within the Nursing Practice Act (NPA) and the BON Rules and Regulations. Other workshop content includes standards of nursing practice, documentation of care, principles of ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, unprofessional conduct, delegation, safe harbor and incident-based nursing peer review. Adult learning principles are applied in addition to utilizing case scenarios to promote group interaction which facilitates comprehension of the jurisprudence concepts. The Workshop has been approved for 7.0 contact hours through Texas Nurses Association (TNA). The registration fee for the participant is \$109.00.

	<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	<u>FY 2011</u>	<u>FY 2011</u>	<u>FY 2011</u>	<u>FY 2011</u>
Workshop attendance – El Paso and Austin “Protecting Your Patients and Your Practice”	0	0	180	180

On-Line Jurisprudence

The on-line jurisprudence course, *“Nursing Regulations for Safe Practice”*, provides nurses the opportunity to keep up to date with the laws surrounding their practice at their convenience. The on-line course engages nurses with an interactive format ultimately designed to promote patient safety. Nurses who complete the course and submit their evaluation are awarded 2.0 contact hours. The cost of the on-line course is \$25.00.

	<u>1st Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>2nd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>3rd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>YTD FY 2011</u>
On-Line CNE attendance “Nursing Regulations for Safe Practice”	129	79	44	252

Webinars

In addition to the live workshop presentations and the on-line jurisprudence course, webinars were introduced in 2010, to reach nurses in both urban and remote areas of Texas. Additional webinars are being developed for 2012. Webinars are a cost-effective way for nurses to obtain in depth information on a specific area of nursing practice. The two webinars are *“Nursing Peer Review: Understanding the Process”* and *“Safe Harbor: Ensuring Patient Safety”*. The cost to attend a webinar is \$25.00 for individuals, \$200.00 for groups with up to 10 participants, and \$25.00 for each additional participant. Each activity awards 1.0 contact hour.

	<u>1st Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>2nd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>3rd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>YTD FY 2011</u>
Webinar attendance “Nursing Peer Review: Understanding the Process”	25	140	348	513
“Safe Harbor: Ensuring Patient Safety”			124	124

2011-2012 Promoting Competency schedule

Workshops – *“Protecting Your Patients and Your Practice”*

Houston – September 28 and September 29, 2011 (Houston Marriott Medical Center)

On-Line CNE Offering - *“Nursing Regulations for Safe Practice”*

To access this CNE opportunity, go to <http://bon-ce.enspire.com>.

Jurisprudence Prep Course

The Jurisprudence Exam Prep Course offers an overview and interactive instruction on the five subject areas covered by the jurisprudence exam. Participants are able to complete practice questions, print resources to aid study, and locate information for further review. The course is not only for exam preparation but also for review of the Nursing Practice Act and Board Rules and Regulations. The cost of the course is \$25.00 and is available to participants for three weeks.

	<u>1st Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>2nd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>3rd Quarter FY 2011</u>	<u>YTD FY 2011</u>
JE Prep Course participants	853	808	1139	2800

Recommendation

This item is for informational purposes only. No action is required.

Board Members are invited to attend any of the Promoting Competency opportunities.