

FY2011 2nd 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>FY 2011</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u> <u>FY 2011</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>FY 2011</u>
Workshop attendance <i>“Protecting Your Patients and Your Practice”</i>	193	0	193

On-Line Jurisprudence

The on-line jurisprudence course, *“Nursing Regulations for Safe Practice”*, went live July, 2010. This course affords 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.

	1 st Quarter <u>FY 2011</u>	2 nd Quarter <u>FY 2011</u>	YTD <u>FY 2011</u>
On-Line attendance “Nursing Regulations for Safe Practice”	163	103	266

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.

	1 st Quarter <u>FY 2011</u>	2 nd Quarter <u>FY 2011</u>	YTD <u>FY 2011</u>
Webinar attendance “Nursing Peer Review: Understanding the Process”	25	140	165
“Safe Harbor: Ensuring Patient Safety”	0	0	0

2011-2012 Promoting Competency schedule

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

El Paso – March 31, 2011 (Marriott El Paso)

Austin – April 6, 2011 (Hobby Building)

July 13, 2011 (Hobby Building)

Arlington – June 15 and June 16, 2011 (Hilton Arlington)

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>.

Webinars – “*Nursing Peer Review: Understanding the Process*”

June 3, 2011 10:00 – 11:15 am

“*Safe Harbor: Ensuring Patient Safety*”

March 11, 2011, 10:00 – 11:15 am

July 8, 2011, 10:00 – 11:15 am

Recommendation

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

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