

Task Force on Delegation

Summary of Request: Consider the report of the September 25, 2013 meeting of the Delegation Task Force (DTF).

Historical Perspective: Minutes for the November 28, 2012 meeting of the Delegation Task Force for Chapter 225 are provided for the Board's consideration. A verbal report of this meeting was provided to Board members at the January, 2013 Board meeting.

The Delegation Task Force for Chapter 225 met on September 25, 2013. The discussions during this meeting focused on recommendations for amendments to Board Rule 225 that will be presented in Agenda Item 7.4 for the Board's consideration.

Pros and Cons: None noted

Staff Recommendation: This item is for information purpose only. No action is required.

**Texas Board of Nursing
Delegation Task Force – Chapter 225**

Minutes

November 28, 2012

Transcribed by Denise Benbow, MSN, RN

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Members Present

Julie Lindley, RN, BSN (Chair)

Ron Cranston

Stacy Cropley, DNP, RN

Daneen Machicek, BSN, RN

Diane Moore BSN, RN, SCCD

Cynthia Morgan, RN, CHPN

Susan Murphree

Jessica Ramos

Ellarene Sanders, PhD, RN, NEA-BC

Sylvia Trevino, BSN, RN

Jim Willman, JD

Representing

Texas School Nurses Organization

ADAPT of Texas

Texas Nurses Association

Department of Aging and Disability Services

Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association

Hospice Austin

Disability Rights Texas

Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

Texas Nurses Association

Department of Aging and Disability Services

Texas Nurses Association

Guests Present

Tom Blackwell, RN

Maxine Tomlinson

PACTX

TX/New Mexico Hospice

Board Member Liaison

Not present

Board Staff Present

Dusty Johnston, JD

Melinda Hester, RN, DNP

Denise Benbow, MSN, RN

Bonnie Cone, MSN, RN

Ramona Gaston-McNutt, BSN, RN

Board staff, General Counsel

Board staff, Lead Practice Consultant

Board staff, Consultant for Practice

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Agenda Item	Discussion	Action or Follow-up
Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 10:00 am by Committee Chair, Julie Lindley. Roll was called.	
Minutes	Review of October 16, 2012 meeting minutes	Diane Moore moved to accept the minutes as written. Jessica Ramos seconded the motion. Motion passed.
Consideration of expanding the list of HMAs	<p>The proposed expanded list* of tasks that may be designated as Health Maintenance Activities (HMAs) is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noninvasive ventilation (NIV) such as continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) and bi-level positive airway pressure (BiPAP) therapy • Routine administration of a prescribed dose of oxygen • Unit dose medication administration by way of inhalation (MDIs) including medications administered as nebulizer treatments for prophylaxis and/or maintenance • Topically applied medications • Insulin administration subcutaneously, nasally, or via an insulin pump <p>*Rule 225.4(8)(E) permits the Board to designate other tasks as HMAs.</p> <p>Discussion of expanding the list of Health Maintenance Activities (HMAs) that may be delegated in current Board Rule 225 included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1)importance of RN assessment 2)concerns regarding patient safety in delegation of nebulizer treatments and insulin administration 3) if the list of additional HMAs is adopted by the Board then plan to provide clarity to nurses through a new frequently asked question 	<p>Jim Willmann moved to have the task force consider and vote on each proposed HMA. The motion was seconded by Jessica Ramos. Motion passed.</p> <p>The committee voted on each proposed HMA item and each item passed. (All but one item was unanimous.)</p>
Consideration of expanding the list of tasks that can be delegated in emergency situations	<p>The proposed, expanded, list* of tasks a RN may delegate in emergency situations in independent living environments for certain life-sustaining medications, treatments or procedures that have been previously prescribed by an appropriately authorized healthcare practitioner is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glucagon injections for treatment of severe hypoglycemia in unconscious clients or clients who are unable to swallow oral glucose • Epinephrine injections from a single-dose pre-filled automatic injection device for severe allergic anaphylactic reactions • Diazepam rectal gel in a pre-filled syringe for episodes of increased seizure activity 	<p>Diane Moore moved to approve the addition of these 7 items to the list of delegable tasks. Ellarene Sanders seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitroglycerin tablet(s) administered sublingually for the acute relief of an attack of angina pectoris • Use of a hand held magnet to activate a vagus nerve stimulator to prevent or control seizure activity • Metered dose inhalers or nebulizer treatments for the relief of acute respiratory symptoms • Oxygen administration for the relief of acute respiratory symptoms <p>*Rule 225.10(13) permits the Board to designate other tasks that a RN may delegate.</p> <p>Discussion included clarification that this would be for a change in an ongoing chronic health condition where something must be done immediately and the condition is previously diagnosed with the intervention previously prescribed and thus addressed in the care plan for the patient.</p> <p>This task force is on hold until after the 83rd legislative session. Board staff will maintain contact with task force members.</p>	
Schedule Next Meeting		To be determined.
Closing	Meeting adjourned at 11:00	Motion to adjourn made by Diane Moore and seconded by Jim Willman. All were in favor.

Minutes Approved on 9/25/13