



Board of Nursing Home Administrators Special Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Committee members present:	Carl Christensen, RN, PHD, Chair Ann Zell, NHA, Vice Chair Marlita Basada, RN Sharon Rinehart, NHA Rosalie Romano, Public Member Jesse Shelton, NHA Angela Cerna, NHA
Committee members absent:	Mary Kangas, RN Catherine Van Son, Ph.D., RN, ANEF
Staff members present:	James Chaney, Executive Director Kendra Pitzler, Program Manager Karen Gohlsen, Program Support Chris Gerard, Assistant Attorney General Jeff Wise, Policy Analyst
Guest presenters:	None

On May 27, 2021, the Board of Nursing Home Administrators Meeting met via Microsoft Teams videoconference. Notice of the meeting was published on the Board of Nursing Home Administrators' profession website and was sent out through the GovDelivery listserv.

Open Session:

1. Opening of Public Meeting – Annie Zell, Chair

- 1.1. Call to Order - The chair called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.
- 1.2. Introductions – Committee and agency staff members introduced themselves and their area of practice.
- 1.3. Other – There were no additional items.

2. Rules Hearing – Continuing Education Rule – Carl Christensen, Chair

The board currently has emergency rules in place to revise [WAC 246-843-130](#), which would allow nursing home administrators to use pandemic-related education, training, and experience toward continuing education requirements, and has elected to make those rules permanent. A hearing took place to give the opportunity for the public to provide comment on the [language](#) prior to final adoption of the revision. Paul Raines, representing the Washington Health Care Association (WHCA), testified in favor of the rule revision. There were no objections. AAG Gerard noted a scrivener’s error (2-IX: change “infections” to “infection”). *Motion to adopt the language of the continuing education rule as proposed and written, with an amendment to fix the scrivener’s error, seconded, vote 7-0.*

3. Emergency Rules – Continuing Education – Carl Christensen, Chair

Emergency rules only last for 120 days and need to be renewed after that time period or they are no longer in effect. The current emergency rule for continuing education is due to expire on June 10, 2021 and will need to be extended for an additional 120 days to ensure continuity until the permanent rule is in place. *Motion to renew the emergency rule for another 120-day period, seconded, vote 7-0.*

4. Meeting Adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

Submitted by:

Kendra Pitzler, Program Manager
Board of Nursing Home Administrators

Approved by:

Carl Christensen, Chair
Board of Nursing Home Administrators

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