

**Vermont Board of Nursing
Committee Charters**

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Nursing Practice Committee Charter Vermont Board of Nursing

Purpose:

The Nursing Practice Committee responds to requests to study nursing practice issues. The Committee formulates position statements; routinely reviews and updates existing position statements; and develops draft recommendations for review and approval by the Board. Additionally, the Committee addresses other practice related issues as may arise.

Communication regarding practice issues, including position statements, is accomplished by contributing to the official newsletter of the Vermont Board of Nursing and publishing position statements on the Board of Nursing website.

Membership:

The standing committee is comprised of 4 Board Members and 7 Licensees. Board Members include: 2-RNs; 1-LPN or LNA; 1-Public Member. Licensees are appointed by the Board and include: 1-APRN; 4-RNs, 2-LPNs. A Board Member or designee will chair the Nursing Practice Committee and another Board Member will serve as co-chair. The committee is staffed by the Nursing Board Executive Director or designee.

Appointed members of the Nursing Practice Committee will serve 3 year terms. To provide for continuity, the individuals first appointed to the Committee will have staggered terms ranging from 1-3 years in length. A maximum of two terms may be served prior to a 3 year break in service.

As appropriate, the Nursing Practice Committee consults with and obtains input from the nursing profession via individuals and agencies, organizations, associations, regulatory bodies, and professional organizations representing health care professionals and institutions; and reviews literature and research to determine state, regional, and national trends.

Frequency of Meetings:

Meetings are held a maximum of 6 times and no fewer than 4 times per year unless otherwise decided by the Committee members. Meetings are scheduled for 2 hours unless otherwise decided by the Committee members.

Expenses:

Board members receive reimbursement for mileage. Expenses are estimated to be less than \$4000.00 per year.

Nursing Education Committee Charter Vermont Board of Nursing

Purpose:

The Nursing Education Committee studies nursing education issues and standards for the purpose of making recommendations to the Board. The Committee proposes guidelines for use in implementing the Rules regarding nursing education; reviews new and established nursing education programs; and provides consultation to nursing education programs upon request. Additionally, the Committee addresses other nursing education issues as may arise.

Communication regarding nursing education issues and standards, as well as nursing education program approval status, is accomplished by contributing to the official newsletter of the Vermont Board of Nursing and publishing position statements on the Board of Nursing website.

Membership:

The standing committee is comprised of at least 3 Board Members and 4–5 Licensees for a maximum of 8. Board Members include: 2-RNs and 1-Public Member. LPN representation on the Board may be by an LPN Board Member or Licensee, or by an individual with expertise in practical nurse education.

Licensees are appointed by the Board and include faculty representatives who meet the educational standards outlined in Rule from graduate, baccalaureate, associate, and practical or nursing assistant programs. A Board Member will chair the Nursing Education Committee and another Board Member will serve as co-chair. The committee is staffed by the Nursing Board Executive Director or designee.

Appointed members of the Nursing Education Committee will serve 3 year terms. To provide for continuity, the individuals first appointed to the Committee will have staggered terms ranging from 1-3 years in length. A maximum of two terms may be served prior to a 3 year break in service.

As appropriate, the Nursing Education Committee consults with and obtains input from the nursing profession via individuals and agencies, organizations, associations, regulatory bodies, and professional organizations representing health care professionals and institutions; and reviews literature and research to determine state, regional, and national trends.

Frequency and Length of Meetings:

Meetings are held a maximum of 6 times and no fewer than 4 times per year unless otherwise decided by the Committee members. Meetings are scheduled for 2 hours unless otherwise decided by the Committee members.

Expenses:

Board members receive reimbursement for mileage. Expenses are estimated to be less than \$4000.00 annually.

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APRN Sub-Committee
Vermont Board of Nursing
Statement of Purpose

The Board of Nursing established the Advanced Practice Sub-Committee ("APRN Sub-Committee"). Its purpose is to render advice to assist the Board in its implementation of the Nurse Practice Act (26 V.S.A., Chapter 28) and the Nursing Administrative Rules (Part 15) regulating Advanced Practice.

Membership:

The Board of Nursing delegates to its Chairperson and to its Executive Director the responsibility to invite APRN Sub-Committee members. The Chairperson and Executive Director shall use their discretion to determine the size and composition of the APRN Sub-Committee while adhering to the standards set forth in Statute. They shall seek to appoint APRNs, licensed and endorsed in Vermont, from the following specialties:

- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Adult Nurse Practitioner
- Certified Nurse Midwife
- Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner or Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
- APRN Board of Nursing Member

In addition the following members will be on the Sub-Committee:

- Public Member
- Physician designated by the Board of Medical Practice

A Board of Nursing APRN member and Executive Director shall be members of the APRN Sub-Committee. The Executive Director will chair the APRN Sub-Committee. The APRN Board Member shall serve *ex-officio*. The Board of Nursing APRN member and Executive Director may invite other health care or public health professionals to participate as a resource if, in their discretion, the other professionals will assist the APRN Sub-Committee achieving its goals.

Appointed members of the APRN Sub-Committee will serve 3 year terms. To provide for continuity, the individuals first appointed to the Committee will have staggered terms ranging from 1-3 years in length. A maximum of two terms may be served prior to a 3 year break in service.

Frequency of Meetings:

The APRN Sub-Committee shall meet quarterly and more often as needed, but no more than once a month or 12 times per year.

Expenses:

Board members receive reimbursement for mileage. Committee expenses will be less than \$4000.00 per year.

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