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 they 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 of the Board of Nursing website.

Membership:

The standing committee is comprised of at least 2 Board Members, a public member who may or may not be a Board member and 7 Licensees. Licensees are appointed by the Board and include: 1-APRN; 3-RN's, 2-LPN's and 1-LNA. A Board Member or designee will chair the Nursing Practice Committee. The committee is staffed by the Nursing Board Executive Director.

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 professions and institutions; and reviews literature and research to determine state, regional, and national trends.

Frequency of Meetings:

Meetings are held a maximum of 12 times and no fewer then 4 times per year unless otherwise decided by the Committee members. Meetings are scheduled for 1 hour unless otherwise decided by the Committee members.

Expenses:

Board members receive reimbursement for mileage. Expenses are estimated to be less then $4,000.00 per year.