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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Topic: RN Scope of Practice as a
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner
Policy Review Committee

Meeting Time: 0800-0930
Location: OSBN Conference Room
Facilitator: Collista Zook

Meeting Date: June 6, 2011

Name	Credentials	Role	Area	Attend
Barbara McGuffey	RN, MPH	Committee Member	Mid-Valley OR	OSBN
Joy Ingwerson	RN, MSN	Nursing Education Consultant	Portland OR	OSBN
Collista Zook	RN, MS, CNS	Committee Member	Portland OR	OSBN
Guests Holly Schaaf	RN	Rapid Save Investigation (RSI)	Portland OR	OSBN
Makenzy Byrum	RN	Rapid Save Investigation (RSI)	Portland OR	OSBN

Agenda	Discussion	Action
Introductions	Welcome to guests, Holly and Makenzy, of RSI. RSI is a Portland based consultant team of nurses that respond to area hospitals and clinics for sexual assault victim care and to provide expertise in the forensic exam and evidence collection.	@ 0810
SANE Policy	Discussion regarding the intent of the current SANE policy: 1) Providing recommendations for and defining the role of the nurse performing a sexual assault exam. 2) Providing a basic expectation of requirements with regard to education and competency in forensic evidence collection and legal proceedings. 3) Providing a structure within which a registered nurse can provide a level of expertise in an expanded nursing role that incorporates the sciences of criminalistics, criminology & victimology, and whose expanded role intersects with the judiciary and legal systems.	
Policy intent change recommendations	Discussion and recommendations: 1) Changing policy language from Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) to the 'nurse performing a sexual assault exam'. a. SANE is a designation of certification in a specialized nursing practice. b. SANE denotes the successful completion of a nationally recognized, standardized educational and competency program. c. Not all nurses providing a sexual assault exam have completed the certification process, thus cannot use the SANE title or designation. 2) Changing the intent of the policy from a 'recommendation' of education and competency to the 'requirements' for education and competency to practice in the extended role as a nurse performing a sexual assault exam.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. OSBN would like to guide the practice of the expanded nursing role related to sexual assault exam through the documentation of focused, specialized education and competency requirements as set forth by nationally recognized organizations. b. The scope of practice for nurses performing in any expanded nursing role requires specialized education, training, and competency evaluations of the expanded practice role, thus, the nurse performing a sexual assault exam is to be held to the same knowledge and competency requirements that have been established by the national standard for nurses performing a sexual assault exam. c. The nurse providing a sexual assault exam need not complete the entire certification process to acquire the SANE designation, but must meet the basic requirements set forth by the standardized educational and competency program for performing a sexual assault exam. 	
Policy content change recommendations	<p>Discussion with recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Change the current 'laundry' list of education requirements to a list of segmented components of education and competency expectations for the expanded role of the nurse who would perform a sexual assault exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Nursing process as related to the care of the sexual assault victim. b. Forensic sciences c. Legal and judiciary obligations of role d. Etc. 	C Zook to begin formatting the revised policy
Follow-up items	<p>Organized search of resources for guidance in compiling education, competency, and practice guidelines and recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) IAFN website – certification handbook <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. International Association of Forensic Nurses, IAFN, has established itself as the expert in sexual assault exams and is the resource for Oregon's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner course provided to area nurses. 2) SATF website – Oregon's Sexual Assault Task Force 	
'New news'	Holly and Makenzy informed the committee that a new Oregon Senate Bill (SB557) would impact the practice and process of the response to a reported victim of a sexual assault by requiring the nurse/clinician who would be responding to the victim, have the necessary education and competency in sexual assault exams and that each county would be responsible for funding the nurse/clinician's education and 'on-call' processes.	Review final bill for adoption
	Website for reviewing SB577 http://www.leg.state.or.us/mag/home.htm	
Next Meeting	RN Scope of Practice as a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Policy Review Committee Thursday, September 15, 2011 0800-0930 OSBN office	
Adjourned		0935

Submitted by **Collista Zook**, Committee Chair