Change Advisory: Division 63 Rules Update (Standards and Authorized Duties for CNAs and CMAs)

Summary

As of July 1, 2025, there will be only one level of CNA in Oregon. When the new rules (Chapter 851 Division 63 of the Nurse Practice Act) go into effect July 1, the CNA 1 and 2 designations will be retired, and all nursing assistants will be CNAs. The Board approved the proposed changes listed below at the June 13, 2024, public Board meeting.

Impact

External: Changes impact CNAs, CMAs, licensed nurses who work or supervise CNAs and CMAs, and their employers.

Details

Division 6	Division 63			
Rule number	Previous rule language	New rule language		
0010	Purpose of Authorized Duties and Standards • Details the purpose of the Division.	Clarifies language with no substantial changes.		
NEW RULE: 0021	None	NEW RULE: Standards for Certified Nursing Assistants Language placed in 0021 was previously in 0030. Establishes standards of CNA client care.		
0030	Authorized Duties and Standards for Certified Nursing Assistant 1 (CNA 1) • Authorized duties for CNA1.	 Authorized Duties for Certified Nursing Assistants Removes all references to CNA1 and replaces with CNA. Restructures sections to better align with Board-approved nursing assistant (NA) curriculum. Removes community-based care setting standards. Moves standards previously found in (10) and placed them in 0021. 		
0035	Authorized Duties and Standards for Certified Nursing Assistant 2 (CNA 2) • Authorized duties for CNA2.	Additional Authorized Duties for Certified Nursing Assistants Removes all references to CNA2; making authorized duties for CNA2s, additional authorized duties for CNAs.		

		Identifies criteria for adding duties to a CNA role.
		Identifies additional authorized duties.
0070	Authorized Duties for Certified Medication Aide (CMA)	Authorized Duties for Certified Medication Aides (CMA)
	(1) Detailed duties in which a CMA could administer medications or ointments under the supervision of a licensed nurse.	 General clean-up of language. Allows for eye medication administration to new post-operative eye client.
	(2) Standards for CMA administration of PRN medications.	 Allows for a CMA to administer pro re nata (PRN) medications including controlled substances to stable clients according to the licensed independent practitioner's orders. To align with removal of community-based
	(3) Details other CMA duties	standards, (g) the acceptance of verbal or telephone orders, was removed.
	(6) Forbids administration of medication via a medication pump including client-controlled analgesia.	Removes language around medication pumps that exceeded authorized duties of a CMA.
	(8) Standards for CMAs in a community-based setting	Removes community-based care settings.
	(9) Standards of Care for a certified medication assistant.	Removes redundant language regarding standards of care for CMAs
0090	Conduct Unbecoming a Nursing Assistant	Conduct Unbecoming a Nursing Assistant
	 Introduction points to statute granting authority to discipline board issued certificate holders. 	Clarifies rule introduction language.
	(2) Conduct related to achieving and maintaining clinical competency.	Clarifies language related to clinical competency.
	(3) Conduct related to client safety and integrity.	General clean up; clarifies the requirement to make a report of prohibited or unprofessional
	 (4) Conduct related to communication (5) Conduct related to interactions 	conduct. • (4) – (10) General language clean up.
	 with the client's family. (6) Conduct related to relationships with coworkers and health care team members. 	

	 (7) Conduct related to safe performance of authorized duties. (8) Conduct related to other federal or state statutes or rule violations. (9) Conduct related to certification violations. (10) Conduct related to the certification holder's relationship 	
0100	with the Board. Conduct Unbecoming a Certified	Conduct Unbecoming Certified Medication Aides
	Medication Aide (5) Altering or falsifying CNA or CMA certificate.	Clarifies and simplifies rule language.
	(8) Performing acts beyond the authorized duties for which the individual is certified.	

Implementation

External: Notification to interested parties and licensees and certificate holders was sent via email with information about the rule changes, consolidation plan, and scheduled educational opportunities (virtual lunch-and-learn sessions held in August and October 2024 and March 2025). OSBN website updated with consolidation information.