

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES

A meeting of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2003 in Conference Room 102 of the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Members Present:

Barbara Mitchell, RN, NHA, Vice President
Grace Taylor, LPN, Cognizant Member
Julia Nell Shaw, R.N.
Virginia Streetman, LPN

Members Not Present

Perry Howell, LPN, President
Lynn Blackburn, Consumer Member
Jacqueline Dumas, LPN

Staff Present:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, J.D., Executive Director
Janet Starr, RN, M.Ed, Education Specialist
Pam Candler, Board Secretary
Janet K. Jackson, J.D., Assistant Attorney General
Kathy Harvey, Area Supervisor of Healthcare, Enforcement

Others Present:

Hattie O'Bryant, Georgia Licensed Practical Nurses Association Liaison

Vice-President Mitchell established that a quorum was present and called the Board Meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Ms. Taylor moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k)(1), (2) and (4); § 43-1-19(h)(2), (3) and (4), and O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h); 50-14-2(1) to deliberate on investigations and applications and receive information on application and investigative reports and the attorney general's report. Voting in favor of the motion were Mitchell, Streetman, Shaw and Taylor. The Board concluded executive session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Agenda: Ms. Taylor moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the agenda was approved.

Minutes: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Taylor seconded and the minutes from the November 6 and 7, 2002 meeting were approved as written.

Georgia Licensed Practical Nurses Association

Ms. O'Bryant discussed Licensed Practical Nurses' Day at the Capitol, to be held on March 19, 2003.

National Council of State Boards of Nursing

Information copy of National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. concerning frequently asked questions on the NCLEX-pn Examination.

Unfinished Business from November Meeting

Kristin Hellquist – Update on House Resolution 4889/Patient Safety Bill. A bill that will enhance public health preparedness efforts in the event of an emergency or bioterrorist attack.

Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Taylor seconded and the Board voted to table this issue until receipt of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing model rules on emergency preparedness.

Correspondence:

Ryan Smith, RN, CGRN, concerning practical nurses' scope of practice and the administration of drugs used for conscious sedation.

Board Response: The Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses does not provide unofficial advice regarding the practice of practical nursing. The board encourages all practical nurses to review and adhere to the law and rules of the board. A practical nurse that adheres to the law, rules and the prevailing standards of the profession is practicing within the scope.

An official opinion of the board is rendered through the disciplinary process. Each situation is thoroughly investigated, expert advice and opinions are obtained, and learned journals, articles and books are reviewed in order to determine whether the prevailing minimum standards of the profession have been met. To date, the board has not made an official opinion on the scope of practice of licensed practical nurses and the administration of drugs used for conscious sedation.

You are strongly encouraged to review the law and rules, expert advice and opinions, and review articles, books and journals to assist you in determining whether such acts are appropriate in each particular situation. You may consider contacting the Georgia Licensed Practical Nurses Association at 478-745-6655. Inasmuch as conscious sedation may require additional certification and training by registered nurses and physicians, it is possible that there may never be a particular circumstance wherein a practical nurse administering drugs for conscious sedation is found to be appropriate. However, it is not the Board's intention to restrict the practical nurse scope of practice, but to protect the public. Therefore, a careful review of the prevailing standards of care for conscious sedation should be reviewed.

Linda Dowis, RN, C.R.N.I. Questions concerning scope of practice for Licensed Practical Nurses and infusion therapy in the long term care setting.

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Please be reminded that practical nursing is “the provision of care for compensation, under the supervision of a physician, ... dentist, ... podiatrist, ... or registered nurse... Such care shall relate to the maintenance of health and prevention of illness ... which shall include, but not be limited to...Participating in the assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation of the delivery of health care services and other specialized tasks when appropriately trained ... Administering treatments and medication;” Excerpts from Georgia law O.C.G.A. §13-26-32.

Cynthia Kennedy, RN: Question concerning the scope of practice for Licensed Practical Nurses suturing during surgery in the operating room setting.

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Kathleen N. Hartline, LPN, William Cooper, LPN, Miranda M. McLellan, LPN; Loretta Middlebrooks, LPN; Angela Sams, LPN; Lula M. Stewart, LPN; These nurses asked questions concerning the fee increase and the requirement of certified funds.

Board Response:

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses voted to require certified funds in 1995. It is the Boards belief that this is a good policy due to the volume of bad checks and the consequences of the bad checks. Specifically, the pursuit of bad checks involves investigative and administrative costs. In addition, the nurse faces disciplinary action for unlicensed practice and her employer and patient may be subject to the loss of certain insurance reimbursements. The Board found that requiring certified funds eliminates these negative consequences and avoids large fines.

Under Georgia law, the board is required to be self supporting. An accounting audit revealed that the board must raise the renewal fee in order to meet the requirements of the law.

Eleanor Faye Ricks, LPN: Question concerning inactive status.

Board Response: The Board does not currently have an inactive status.

Helen A. Baxter, LPN – Requesting an Honorary LPN.

Board Response: The board does not have an honorary LPN license. **Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board approved the issuance of a Certificate of Appreciation for Mrs. Helen A. Baxter, LPN.**

Election of Officers:

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to elect the following slate of officers for 2003.

President	Grace Taylor, LPN
Vice President	Virginia Streetman, LPN
Cognizant Member	Jacqueline Dumas, LPN

Ms. Taylor presided over the meeting.

Education Consultant's Report

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to approve the Education Consultant's Report as follows:

Clinical Facility Additions/Deletions:

Griffin Technical College, Griffin: Addition of Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation for Griffin which can accommodate 19 student practical nurses.

North Metro Technical College, Acworth: Addition Emory Cartersville Medical Center, for 8 students; Northside Hospital – Cherokee for 8 students; Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation Center for 15 students; Wellstar Health Systems, Wellstar Windy Hill (14 students), Wellstar Cobb (38 students); Wellstar Kennestone (57 students); Wellstar Douglas (12 students) and Wellstar Paulding (10 students).

Curriculum Revisions:

Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring Ga. Request for curriculum revisions for both day and evening programs to become effective 01/01/03. Both programs will change in course sequencing from basic to more complex and will consist of 850 total theory (700 required content) and 710 clinical hours.

Ogeechee Technical College, Statesboro. Practical Nursing students must now complete the "Nurse Technician Certificate Program" before being admitted to Practical Nursing Program. Hours will total 820 in theory and 720 in clinical.

West Central Technical College, Waco. Addition of Medical Terminology as a pre-requisite course for Practical Nursing Students effective Fall Quarter, 2003. Hours will total 792 in Theory and 718 in clinical.

New Programs and/or Satellites:

Appalachian Technical College, Fannin County Class, Blue Ridge. Update for new class (19 students) reviewed and accepted. Site visit planned for early 2003.

Bainbridge Technical College, Bainbridge. Increase in student population has necessitated hiring of additional staff with 3 full time and 3 part time instructors. The Board accepted notification of increased enrollment and instructed Education Consultant to remind the program of the following rules 400-3-0.08(b)1 and 400-3.10(1)(l).

Faks Allied Health Education Center, Atlanta. Application is incomplete.

His Majesty, Inc. International Institute of Health Professionals, Forest Park, Ga. Packet of materials was incomplete, return information to the developers to incorporate the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses' rules into their materials and submit the required materials on board approved forms.

North Metro Technical College, Acworth. The Board accepted Mr. McHugh to serve as the RN Director of the proposed new program.

West Central Georgia Technical College, Waco, Ga. The Board accepted materials submitted for Section "F", Report IV.

Site Visit Calendar for 2003:

The following is a listing of those schools at which the Education Consultant will be conducting site visits during 2003:

Appalachian Technical College, Blue Ridge	Initial Visit
Savannah Technical College, Savannah & Hinesville	Conditional Approval Visit
Ogeechee Technical College, Statesboro	Routine Visit
Swainsboro Technical College, Swainsboro	Routine Visit
West Central Technical College, Carrollton & Waco	Routine Visit

The Board also reviewed and approved the Educational Consultant's 5 year Site Visit Master Plan.

Site Visit Reports

Albany Technical College, Blakely. Program remains on Provisional Approval Status until all first graduates have taken the licensing examination. At that time, the program will be given either a "Full" or "Conditional" approval status based on passing percentages.

South Georgia technical College, Americus and Cordele. The Board approved the Site visit report and the school will remain on "Conditional" approval until the March review of last year's NCLEX-PN scores.

Southwest Georgia Technical College, Cairo. The Board accepted the Site Visit report and its program's self-evaluation. Program will remain on Provisional approval status until all first graduates have taken the examination.

Nursing Faculty and/or Preceptor changes:

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper and Blue Ridge. Three full-time and three part-time instructors. (Site visit planned for early 2003)

Atlanta Technical College, Atlanta. Seven full-time and five part-time instructors.

Bainbridge College, Bainbridge. Three full-time and three part-time (2 are substitutes only) Eighteen new preceptor appointments, 8 Licensed Practical Nurses, 10 Registered Nurses and no physicians.

Dalton State College, Dalton. Four full-time and four part-time (2 as substitutes). One preceptor addition, four Licensed Practical Nurses, three registered nurses and three physicians.

East Central Technical College, Fitzgerald and Douglas. At main campus there are now four full -time and two part-time and one full-time and one part-time substitute at the Satellite campus. The Board also accepted Sherry King, RN, ASN as the Director of the two programs.

Griffin Technical College, Griffin. Four full-time and four part-time (three are substitutes)

Heart of Georgia Technical College, Dublin and Eastman. Four full-time and no part-time.

Lanier Technical College, Oakwood. Preceptor additions, four licensed practical nurses, three registered nurses and one physician.

North Metro Technical College, Acworth. Kevin McHugh, RN, ASN, BSN was approved as program director because of experience as a student teacher while enrolled in his BSN program.

Savannah Technical College, Savannah and Hinesville. Four full-time and three part-time.

Southwest Georgia Technical College, Cairo. One full-time and one part-time.

West Central Technical College, Waco. Four full-time and two part-time (one as a substitute).

Miscellaneous Information from Programs:

Ogeechee Technical College, Statesboro. The Board accepted written self-study.

Savannah Technical College, Savannah and Hinesville. The Board accepted responses to recommendations, and encourage the program director to adhere to board rules restricting one instructor to ten students in the clinical area at all times. Furthermore, a violation of this rule may result in an immediate “withdrawn approval status”.

Attorney General’s Report:

Case No. LPN022165 – Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to reject the Consent Order.

Case No. LPN00100102 – Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to reject the Consent Order.

David A. Gilmore: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Order, Docket No. 2003-0070.

Susan E. Dupree: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Order, Docket No. 2003 -0069 .

Bethany Porter: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to accept the Amended Consent Order, Docket No. 2003 -.0072

Daisy J. Durham: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Order, Docket No. 2003 -0068

Christina Shovick: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Agreement for Licensure by Endorsement, Docket No. 2003-0073.

Heather Leigh Moore: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Agreement for Licensure by Reinstatement, Docket No. 2003-0071.

Jennifer Dana Vandiver: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Agreement for Licensure by Reinstatement, Docket No. 2003-0074.

Angela D. Worsley: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Agreement for Licensure by Reinstatement, Docket No. 2003-0075

Case No. LPN01101139: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN00101037: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN01101132: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN02102099: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN00100076: Ms. Taylor moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN00101034: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to accept results of mental physical evaluation and refer to the Attorney General.

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to go into recess for the public hearing on proposed Rule 400-3-.02(1)(h).

PUBLIC HEARING
2:00 P.M.
GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES
On
RULE 400-3-02(1)(h)

A Hearing was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2003 in Conference Room 102 of the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Board Members Present:

Grace Taylor, LPN, President
Virginia Streetman, LPN, Vice President
Barbara Mitchell, RN, NHA
Julia Nell Shaw, RN

Board Members Absent:

Perry Howell, LPN
Lynn Blackburn, Consumer
Jacqueline Dumas, LPN, Cognizant

Staff Present:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director
Janet Starr, RN, Education Consultant
Pam Candler, Board Secretary

Others Present:

Hattie O'Bryant, LPN, Liaison, Georgia Licensed Practical Nurses Association
Phil Petty, Education Specialist, Allied Health Programs, Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education

Ms. Taylor called the hearing to order and after introductions, Ms. Hightower gave the history of the proposed rule and synopsis, as attached.

Ms. Taylor opened the floor for comments.

Mr. Petty, Education Specialist, Allied Health Programs, Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education, stated that they have discussed this rule at their office, and they found that it will not have a negative effect on any of their programs, and that it was an excellent step towards insuring that the quality of the programs is maintained. The Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education supports the passage of this rule.

Ms. O'Bryant, LPN, Liaison, Georgia Practical Nurses Association, stated that members were in favor of the proposed rule.

Ms. Taylor thanked everyone for coming to the hearing and offering their comments and suggestions.

The hearing adjourned at 2:40 p.m. and the Board continued with the regular meeting.

Ms. Taylor reconvened the meeting with the same Board Members present.

Enforcement Department Report:

Case No. LPN030011: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General for license revocation and to monitor criminal case.

Case No. LPN030026: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General and to monitor for Court Date.

Case No. LPN030029: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General.

Case No. LPN030030: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to deny application for license reinstatement.

Case No. LPN030036: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General.

Case No. LPN022125 : Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to close.

Case No. LPN022156: Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General and monitor criminal case.

Case No. LPN01102063: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General and to monitor criminal charges.

Case No. LPN02102074: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General.

Case No. LPN02102089: Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to refer to Attorney General.

Case No. LPN02102086: Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to combine with Case No. LPN030036 and refer to Attorney General.

Unfinished Business

The Board requested a status report of all cases. Ms. Harvey stated that she would prepare a written report for the next meeting.

Probation Report:

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to take the following actions on probation matters:

Licensee	License No.	Board Action
Allen, William V.	LPN041102	Deny request to lift L & R
Baker, Kathy	LPN054116	Present at May Meeting
Beach, Paul A.	LPN046159	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Bonds, Sherry A.	LPN059554	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Britt, Diane	LPN019116	Send Non-Compliance Letter

Byrd, Marie S.	LPN027881	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Calhoun, Linda K.	LPN030371	Deny request to lift L & R
Cappas, Gina	LPN044722	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Carter, Cathy	LPN035244	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Cleveland, Michael S.	LPN057122	Refer for non-compliance
Cochran, Lynda	LPN047945	Release from Non-compliance
Coleman, Carliss	LPN060657	Obtain more information
Cook, Sheila W.	LPN040836	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Corriere, Joann	LPN017979	Refer for Non-Compliance Letter
Dixon, Ethel M.	LPN040572	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Evans, Spencer	LPN064451	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Hardman, Kimberly	LPN036847	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Hart, Michelle D.	LPN043924	Request a voluntary surrender
Hill, Brenda B.	LPN038111	Send an In-Service Form
Hughes, Virginia	LPN041271	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Jacobs, Denise S.	LPN040790	Refer for Non-Compliance Letter
James, Keicia	LPN054495	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Johnson, Lavis	LPN045521	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Lastinger, Lynda	LPN047241	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Lee, Shirley	LPN029836	Refer
Leggett, Barbara J.	LPN055824	Send an In-Service Form
Lott, Charlene L.	LPN055105	Send Non-Compliance Letter
McClellan, Toni	LPN051876	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Mitchell, Margaret	LPN054957	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Moore, Terri Vaughn	LPN058147	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Morris, Willie J.	LPN036094	Send Non-Compliance Letter
Napierala, Cheryl	LPN056958	Release pending Compliance
Norton, Wyman	LPN037707	Request more Information
Padgett, Tracey	LPN034197	Refer to non-compliance
Ray, Mary	LPN033955	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Simpson, Cheryl Ann	LPN046572	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Simon, Nina Ann	LPN040856	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Strange, Janice	LPN061137	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Suggs, Angie	LPN019179	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Thornton, Abigail	LPN047478	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Turner, Amelia	LPN051718	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Turner, Linda	LPN020060	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Turner, Tracey J.	LPN050832	Send a Non-Compliance Letter
Wells, Enrika L.	LPN054903	Refer for non-compliance
West, Terri	LPN024364	Refer In-service to Ed. Specialist
Williams, Kayla	LPN050779	Deny Request to lift L & R

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the board voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

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Virginia Streetman, LPN, Vice President
Jacqueline Dumas, LPN, Cognizant
Perry Howell, LPN
Julia Nell Shaw, RN
Barbara Mitchell, RN, NHA

Members Not Present:

Lynn H. Blackburn, Consumer Member

Staff Present:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director
Janet Starr, Education Consultant
Sandra Norwood-Marshall, Application Specialist
Pam Candler, Board Secretary
Kathy Harvey, Enforcement Department
Jacqueline Turner, Deputy Director, Enforcement Department

President Taylor established that a quorum was present and called the Board Meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

The Board adjourned to Room 104 for a meeting with the Georgia Board of Nursing to discuss the upcoming National Council of State Boards of Nursing Mid-Year Meeting to be held in Savannah on March 25-27, 2003 and other items of interest.

The Board reconvened in Room 102. Ms. Mitchell agreed to research possible gifts or souvenirs for attendees at the mid-year meeting.

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to approve the agenda.

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k)(1), (2) and (4); § 43-1-19(h)(2), (3) and (4), and O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h); 50-14-2(1) to deliberate on investigations and applications and receive information on application and investigative reports and the attorney general's report. Voting in favor of the motion were Mitchell, Howell, Streetman, Dumas, Shaw and Taylor. The Board concluded executive session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Rule Change 400-3-.02(1)(h)

The Board discussed and considered information on Rule 400-3-.02(1)(h). **Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to adopt Rule 400-3-.02(1)(h) as posted.**

RULE 400-3-.02(1)

(h) "Sponsoring Agency" refers to a parent institution of the nursing education program, which is affiliated with, or under the control of, the

Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education, the Georgia Department of Education, or the Georgia Board of Regents. In addition, the parent institution shall be accredited by either or both the council on Occupational Education ("C.O.E.") or the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools ("C.O.C.S.A.C.S."). The parent institution shall provide financial and administrative support during the establishment and operational existence of a Board-approved nursing education program. Any change in the parent institution's accreditation or affiliation shall be reported to the Board within 30 days of such change.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-26-35(2); 43-26-35(9) and 43-26-35(10)

Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Hightower discussed the following items:

Licensed Practical Nursing Summit: Rescheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2003 and Ms. Streetman will chair. Suggestions for Keynote Speaker are needed and this year's theme will be *The Changing Role of the Licensed Practical Nurse*.

Non-disciplinary Alternative Program: Georgia Nurses Association has proposed a non-disciplinary alternative program for impaired nurses. **Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw and the board voted to endorse the concept of non-disciplinary alternative programs for impaired nurses.**

Enforcement Matters:

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to approve the following Executive Director referrals to Enforcement Department pursuant to Board policy established November 9, 2001:

LPN030080	LPN030091	LPN030092
LPN030093	LPN030094	LPN030095
LPN030096	LPN030113	LPN030114

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to approve the following Cognizant Member referrals to Enforcement Department pursuant to Board Policy established November 9, 2001:

LPN030081	LPN030082	LPN030083
LPN030086	LPN030087	LPN030088
LPN030090	LPN030097	

Case No. LPN030089 Ms. Dumas moved and Mr. Howell seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

Case No. LPN030090 Mr. Howell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

Case No. LPN030099 Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to close this case.

Case No. LPN030110 Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

Case No. LPN030111 Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

Case No. LPN030112 Mr. Howell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

Renewal Applications:

Ms. Streetman moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted to renew licenses for LPN034857, LPN029064 and LPN057785.

Applications:

Ms. Streetman moved and Mr. Howell seconded and the Board voted to take the following actions on applications for licensure:

Maureen E. C. to approve application for licensure by examination upon proof of a passing score.

Amy E. D. to approve application for licensure by examination upon proof of a passing score.

Tracey Lynette Harper to approve application for licensure by examination. LPN064972.

Tia K. L. to approve application for licensure by examination upon proof of a passing score.

Audra L. M. to approve application for licensure by examination upon proof of a passing score.

Angela M. W. to approve application for licensure by examination upon proof of a passing score.

Stephanie M. W. to approve applicant to sit for the examination.

Ruby Athinattathil to approve application for licensure by endorsement. (LPN064970)

Harriett J. D. to defer application for licensure by endorsement pending receipt of further information.

Yolanda T. Forrest to deny application for licensure by endorsement.

Julia A. Meachem to deny application for licensure by endorsement.

Tambre D. Rowe to deny application for licensure by endorsement.

Delia E. V. to approve application for licensure by endorsement upon proof of a passing score .

Trina E. Walker to approve application for licensure by endorsement (LPN064971)

Kim Anderson to deny application for licensure by reinstatement.

Anna L. Creamer to deny application for licensure by reinstatement.

Dona M. Graham to deny application for licensure by reinstatement.

Glenda P. Hunt to deny application for licensure by reinstatement.

Victoria E. Lee to approve application for licensure by reinstatement (LPN058367)

Beverly F. Roberts to approve application for licensure by reinstatement (LPN056664)

Monethea W. to defer action on application for reinstatement pending further information.

Hanna W. R. to approve application for licensure by examination based on equivalency upon proof of a passing score.

Mr. Howell moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to approve applications determined to have met the qualifications for licensure by reinstatement as follows:

License #	Name	License #	Name
LPN019211	Blanchard, Betty T	LPN048070	Harris, Kerri Labeth
LPN020940	Geter, Julius	LPN048421	Ward, Michelle Renee
LPN020949	Maaytah, Chrystine Owen	LPN049311	Croft, Mary Alice Collins
LPN025761	Williams, Cecil Aubrey	LPN050794	Mullin, Christina Michelle
LPN030821	Wagner, Janet Lynn	LPN052139	Arredondo, Nathaly F.
LPN032664	Parks, Dorothy Rene	LPN053649	Bly, Brenda Elizabeth
LPN036147	Nix, Elizabeth Leona	LPN053837	Miles, Beulah Veronica
LPN038069	Dark, Patricia Faye	LPN054692	Sirmans, Lance David
LPN038741	Pack, Patricia B. Brown	LPN055100	Nesbitt, Valerie Wilkins
LPN038776	Bennett, Donna Ruth	LPN055147	Evans, Catherine R
LPN041771	Ivery, Delores	LPN055322	Lacey, Iwanda Johnson
LPN042891	Yody, Carol Ann Kuse	LPN055478	Perkins, Angela Cherie
LPN045211	Scruggs, Ann	LPN056210	Grant, Frances Lynn
LPN045313	Binion, Nancy E. Stewart	LPN056342	Gray, Muriel Jean
LPN045738	Ackey, Gabriele Claudia	LPN056530	Malinchak, Judy Faye
LPN046120	Rex, Guy Edward	LPN056642	Brantley, Ronald Lamont
LPN047293	McLarty, Sheila Dianne Swain		

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to approve applications determined to have met qualifications for licensure by Endorsement as follows:

License #	Name	License No.	Name
LPN064659	Mackey, Kristi L.	LPN064853	Bradley, Sandra Diane
LPN064660	Preston, Linda G.	LPN064854	Brown, Christina Marshall
LPN064661	Broyles, Susan Elaine	LPN064855	Daniels, Connie Suzanne
LPN064676	Wilson, Dorice Reena	LPN064856	Hullett, Jamecia D
LPN064677	Criqui, Donna L.	LPN064857	Johnson, Konta Sacagawea

LPN064678	Campbell, Paula Renee	LPN064858	Knaff, Auzora Lee
LPN064681	Shakir, Akil Ziyad	LPN064859	Keesee, Theresa Ann
LPN064691	Brisbon, DeVera Ann	LPN064860	Nobles, Virginia Ann
LPN064692	Gilgeours, Hazel Angela	LPN064861	Perkins, Marc Anthony
LPN064693	Nelson-Laryea, Victoria	LPN064862	Rateliff, Linda Paulette
LPN064694	Thompson, Sherry K.	LPN064863	Reilly, Sheena M
LPN064695	Upton, Renee Jean	LPN064864	Scroggins, Traci Yvonne
LPN064696	Waldrop, Leah Whitney	LPN064865	Tatum, Cynthia Elleann
LPN064697	Walsh, Margaret Mary	LPN064866	Young, Avon D
LPN064698	Freeman, Lisa Marlene	LPN064867	Moncion, Annette Gracita
LPN064699	Richardson, Evelyn Marie	LPN064868	Howard, Wendy Denise
LPN064700	Muhammad, Candice	LPN064869	Rigden, Carol Ann
LPN064712	Clay, Corondelette Shazelle	LPN064870	Simon, Dawn Marie
LPN064716	Traylor, Alicia Claudine	LPN064901	Smith, Donna Lynnette
LPN064732	Spigner, Cynthia Christina	LPN064902	Ellison, Denise Michele
LPN064733	Martin, Paula Jo	LPN064903	Afua, Saran Zola
LPN064734	VanDerTulip, Laurie Ann	LPN064904	Wheeler, Majestic O'Neal
LPN064735	St. Ellien, Chantal	LPN064905	Clark, Linda Sue
LPN064736	Wright, Linda Sue	LPN064906	Singer, Pamela Sue
LPN064738	Hilliard, Taneeah Nicole	LPN064907	Smith, Michelle Renee
LPN064742	Fells, Alicia Bronnell	LPN064923	Bichsel, Kimberly Dawn
LPN064774	Herzog, Thomas M.	LPN064924	Murray, Sharon Fay
LPN064802	Abshire, Susan Lynn	LPN064925	Vetzel, Dawn Marie
LPN064803	Hampton, Nancy Chris	LPN064926	Robinson, Alonna Michelle
LPN064804	Johnson, Larrietta	LPN064927	Day, Anna Lee
LPN064805	Mazard, Marie Murette	LPN064928	Cabezas, Manuel Glen
LPN064806	Moodispaugh Rupe, Bonnie	LPN064929	Gipson, Seneca Lavern
LPN064807	Lee, Bryan C.	LPN064938	Smith, Vicki Lynn
LPN064808	Brock, TiAngela Denise	LPN064939	Hook, Tiffany Michelle
LPN064809	Pradere, Ingrid Telcide	LPN064949	Scott, Tracy Lyn
LPN064836	Hawkins, Kathryn Gail	LPN064950	Goberdhan, Bhojraj
LPN064837	Edmond, Maureen	LPN064951	Wimberly, Delanie E.
LPN064838	Kellow, James Paul	LPN064952	Clark, Donika Jenine
LPN064839	Stadig, Terrina	LPN064953	Parham, Judy L
LPN064841	Meismer, Beverly Ann	LPN064954	Blackman, Rachel A
LPN064842	Melton, Freda A	LPN064955	Pitts, Sandra Jeanette
LPN064843	Selix - Abundiz, Dolores J.	LPN064956	Crighton-Blake, Sonia
LPN064844	McLaughlin, Agnes Kay	LPN064957	Humphrey, Ruth Ann
LPN064846	Lee, Tennise Faye	LPN064958	Leger, Gabrielle M.
LPN064847	Gallion, Virginia Ellen	LPN064959	Henderson, Latrika Katekia
LPN064849	Nugent, Patricia Margaret	LPN064960	Moody, Jacqueline
LPN064850	Hawkins, Virginia	LPN064961	Lively, Nicole Lynn
LPN064851	Allen, Armando		
LPN064852	Bishop, Betty Jo		

Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Shaw seconded and the Board voted to approve applications for licensure by examination as follows:

License #	Name	License #	Name
LPN064662	Bryson, Sharon Denise	LPN064791	Keith, Anna Alisa Harvey
LPN064663	Davenport, Christian Hope	LPN064792	Benford, Gwendolyn Diane

LPN064664	Greene, Deanna Elizabeth	LPN064793	Garvin-Holmes, Natasha D.
LPN064665	Knox, April Nicole	LPN064794	Cromwell, Valerie Dawn
LPN064666	Mercer, Robin Brandi	LPN064795	Bagley, Brandy Nicole
LPN064667	Moss, Patsy Sue	LPN064796	Graham, Kimberly Ann
LPN064668	Reagin, Dorothy Angela	LPN064797	Hatch, Stephanie Anne
LPN064669	Reed, Zondera Vanesse	LPN064798	Kim, Endora Lynn
LPN064670	Reid, Trina Lesley	LPN064799	Holloway, Carol Ann
LPN064671	Smith, Amy Elizabeth	LPN064800	Lyder, Paulita Kimberly
LPN064672	Stone, Bernadette Shantell	LPN064801	Ross, Tennille LaShawn
LPN064673	Strickland, Bridgett Denise	LPN064810	Broadnax, Benita
LPN064674	Suggs, Victoria Lynn	LPN064811	Blacksher, Cicely Rotonda
LPN064675	Wilson, Wanda Marie	LPN064812	Daniel, Tamekia LaShonda
LPN064682	Maxwell, Caroline Louise	LPN064813	Hall, Derlanda Kay
LPN064683	Roman, Frances Lashaun	LPN064814	Dotson, Emma Lisa
LPN064684	Jennings, LaKeisha Leigh	LPN064815	Lane, Tiffany Nichole
LPN064685	Lewis, Julie Ann	LPN064816	Lovegrove, Micki Alyson
LPN064686	Wilson, Tara Michelle	LPN064817	Golden, Connie Yolanda
LPN064687	Sain, Emily Christine	LPN064818	Perry, Amber Tennille
LPN064688	Lounds, Judith Rose-Marie	LPN064819	Hayes, Shameka Shante'
LPN064689	Harris, Erma Jeanette	LPN064820	O'Hara, Erika Annette
LPN064690	Mathis, Wendi Ruth	LPN064821	Green, Cynthia
LPN064701	Augustin, Edwynne	LPN064822	Porter, Roeina T
LPN064702	Dunn, Judy Michelle	LPN064823	Sales, Sylvia Diana
LPN064703	Whitener, Jessica Denise	LPN064824	Tanner, Jimmie Darrell
LPN064704	Askew, Denabra Natrena	LPN064825	Redmon, Barbara Jean
LPN064705	Linder, Tawana Nicole	LPN064826	Wilson, Rochelle Denise
LPN064706	Hardeman, Stacey Diane	LPN064827	Taylor, Angelia Marie
LPN064707	Smith, Mary J	LPN064828	Erskine, Heather Michelle
LPN064708	King, Alysia Dawn	LPN064829	Fliggins, Vivian J.
LPN064709	Acree, Kaula Renay	LPN064830	Bollinger, Jamie D.
LPN064710	Parker, Elizabeth Hobbs	LPN064831	Moberly, Abigail Erin
LPN064711	Harper, Kimberly Lynn	LPN064832	Stanfill, Jana D'ette
LPN064713	Gibbons, Frances Marie	LPN064833	Erskine, Julie LeAnn
LPN064714	Smith, William Albert	LPN064834	Eakins, Candice Marie
LPN064715	Wuori, Stephen B	LPN064835	Smith, Michelle Brooke
LPN064717	King, LaKeshia Rachell	LPN064840	Nanje-Ford, Ola Olive
LPN064718	Smith, Ashley DeAnna	LPN064845	King, Wendy Ann
LPN064719	Barner, KyaShirah D.	LPN064848	Pippinger, Jacqueline Lee
LPN064720	Michaels, Raymond M.	LPN064871	Woods, Rochelle
LPN064721	Lard, LaWanda Nichole	LPN064872	Bodon, Marcos Luis
LPN064722	Facciani, Charles Nello	LPN064873	Coleman, Ranada Marciana
LPN064723	Evans, Lori Elaine	LPN064874	Prince, Esther Jean
LPN064724	Mierzejewski, Jennifer D.	LPN064875	Zeliski, Lisa Jean
LPN064725	Salter, Rebecca Lynn	LPN064876	Lemon, Tameka Shaunette
LPN064726	Batay, Shyrelyn	LPN064877	Hyatt, Neva Nicole
LPN064727	Clark, Angela Renee	LPN064878	Leonty, Kathleen A
LPN064728	Anderson, Amy Denise	LPN064879	Woodard, LaVaughn Cox
LPN064729	Crawford, Lachaka Nicole	LPN064880	Browder, Demetria A.D.
LPN064730	Brooks, Tunisha Necole	LPN064881	Gilbert, Virginia Jill
LPN064731	Knight, Kimberly Elaine	LPN064882	Forward, April La'Salle
LPN064737	Croy, Wanda Gail	LPN064883	Allen, Cheryl Beth Eury

LPN064739	Jones, Christy Michele	LPN064884	Swiney, Maronda Renee'
LPN064740	Morton, Glenna Jo	LPN064885	Arnett, Sharonda
LPN064741	Phillips, Donna Denise	LPN064886	Gachwe, David Kago
LPN064743	Amuzie, Justina Chinwe	LPN064887	Green, Nikiel Shantel
LPN064744	Harris, Angelia Christine	LPN064888	Wynn, Sarah Jane
LPN064745	Brinson, Jawana Keanda	LPN064889	Skinner, Velva Joyce
LPN064746	Ricketts, Janet Marie	LPN064890	Palmer, Melissa Denise
LPN064747	Reaves, Brandy Rachelle	LPN064891	Harris, Angela Marie
LPN064748	McCormick, Amanda Claire	LPN064892	Williams, Sandy
LPN064749	Mordon, Wendy Yvette	LPN064893	Bryant, Dequilla MaShon
LPN064750	Aikens, Cynthia Gail	LPN064894	Owens, Carolyn Renee
LPN064751	Kennerly, Remilda	LPN064895	Vick, Jennifer Renee
LPN064752	Sanderson, Vickie Diane	LPN064896	King, Kerrie Lynn
LPN064753	Albea, Melissa Ann	LPN064897	Bryant, Crystal LaShanta
LPN064754	Simmons, Mary Christina	LPN064898	Tucker, Michelle Amanda
LPN064755	Dunbar, Pamela Denise	LPN064899	Barker, Cathy A
LPN064756	Patrick, Christina Marie	LPN064900	Harris, Barbara Lyn
LPN064757	Simpson, Marna Lynn	LPN064908	Barber, Julie Amanda
LPN064758	Sellers, Marian Persharn	LPN064909	Jones, Ja'Net Trenace
LPN064759	Mickens, Annie L.	LPN064910	Roe, Mandy Raquel
LPN064760	Smallwood, Mary Dolores	LPN064911	Vaughns, Sharon Denise
LPN064761	Nixon, Gloria Lynn	LPN064912	Alvarado, Alexa
LPN064762	Miller, Kimberly Dawn	LPN064913	Boyd, Kawanna Latrice
LPN064763	McMichael, Carol Ann	LPN064914	Cheek, Melissa Diane
LPN064764	Proctor, Angela Denise	LPN064915	Cody, Lekeshia Shanette
LPN064765	Reese, Tara Roychelle	LPN064916	Driskell, Kimberly Sheree
LPN064766	Williams, Tosha M.	LPN064917	James, Betty Julie
LPN064767	Barrie, Aminata	LPN064918	Mathis, Stacy Danielle
LPN064768	Eason, Pamela Denise	LPN064919	Morgan, Merrill Denise
LPN064769	Medulme, Paula T.	LPN064920	Robinson, Debra LaVerne
LPN064770	Harper, Linda Ann	LPN064921	Shuler, Doris Mae
LPN064771	McBean, Lavina Lashell	LPN064922	Wallace, Michelle Linn
LPN064772	Osborne, Sharon Danel	LPN064930	Alston, Robyn Everson
LPN064773	Sherrill, Elizabeth Lee	LPN064931	Boone, Monique S'imone
LPN064775	Alexander, Kimberly L.	LPN064932	Boulware, Dana Sue
LPN064776	Allen, Michele Latre	LPN064933	Brown, Lora H.
LPN064777	Rainey, Cheryl O'Berry	LPN064934	Canady, Karen Melissa
LPN064778	Williams, Tracy Lavon	LPN064935	Chandler, Kimberly Brooke
LPN064779	Johns, Mary Virginia	LPN064936	Davis, Crystal LaWanda
LPN064780	Farmer, Jennifer Leigh	LPN064937	Dondero, Terrie Nicole
LPN064781	Mortellaro, Laura Marie	LPN064940	Flowers, Alantria Nicole
LPN064782	Styles, Stacie Renee	LPN064941	Gilyard, Latosha Lashawn
LPN064783	Taylor, Amanda Leigh	LPN064942	Gregory, Leiba Allison
LPN064784	Snipes, Alysa	LPN064943	Martin, Cheryl Elora
LPN064785	Summerlin, Maranda Lynne	LPN064944	Montgomery, Donna Nicole
LPN064786	Tucker, Lisa Nicole	LPN064945	Rennison, Melissa Ann
LPN064787	Williams, Sonya Janeen	LPN064946	Stephens, Jessica Marie
LPN064788	Johnson, Billie Anne	LPN064947	Tyson, Leslie Nicole
LPN064789	Holmes, Latonya M.	LPN064948	Williams, Mary Deneen
LPN064790	Castillo, Michael Robert		

RULE REVISIONS:

Ms. Mitchell moved and Ms. Streetman seconded and the Board voted to consider for adoption the proposed rules amendment during its May meeting on May 14, 2003 between the hours of 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. in Room 102, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia, 31217.

Mr. Howell moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to post the Notice of Intent to Adopt and Notice of Hearing for the proposed rule changes to 400-2-.04, 400-2-.06 and 400-2-.08. For no less than 30 days prior to May 14, 2003, the date the Board will hold a hearing on the rule and intent to adopt the proposed rule change.

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of Rules 400-2-.04, 400-2-.06 and 400-2-.08 do not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of Official Code of Georgia Annotated §§43-26-35(2); 43-26-35(9) and 43-26-35(10).

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Mitchell seconded and the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-26-35(2); 43-26-35(9) and 43-26-35(10) to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses listed at O.C.G.A. §50-13-43(3)(A) and that the formulation and adoption of Rules 400-2-.04, 400-2-.06 and 400-2-.08 will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of Licensed Practical Nursing:

The Proposed rule revisions follows:

400-2-.04 Interstate Endorsement Licensure. Amended.

(1) An applicant for licensure by interstate endorsement must submit a completed application provided by the board and the following:

(a) Verification of active practice within the five (5) year period immediately preceding the application by submitting documentation of one of the following:

1. three (3) months or five hundred (500) hours of paid licensed practice as a practical/vocational nurse;
2. graduation from a nursing education program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application; or
3. completion of a Board-approved reentry/refresher program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application.

(b) Certification under seal of the applicant's current licensure, in good standing, as a licensed practical nurse in another jurisdiction.

(c) The appropriate fee.

(d) A recent passport type photograph (3x3).

(e) Additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as the Board may deem necessary, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Completion of a board approved practical nursing program or met the educational requirements in such other NCLEX-PN jurisdiction as deemed equivalent to requirements in Georgia.

2. Successful passing of the NCLEX-PN. However, if the applicant's license in another jurisdiction was not based on passing the national licensing examination, the Board will allow the applicant to endorse with examination, provided all other requirements for licensure by endorsement are met. Upon approval the applicant for endorsement by exam must take the next available licensure examination.

3. Verification of active practice as a licensed practical nurse within the last five years immediately preceding the application by submitting evidence of either three (3) months or five hundred (500) hours of paid licensed practice as a practical/vocational nurse; or graduation from a nursing education program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application; or completion of a Board-approved reentry/refresher program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application.

4. Proof of high school graduation or G.E.D. Certificate;

(2) Further Training: An applicant for endorsement who is unable to verify active practice of practical nursing as a licensed practical nurse for the five (5) year period which precedes the application shall be required to pursue further training, which may include but is not limited, to the following:

(a) Successful completion of a board approved practical nursing program followed by taking the licensing examination.

(b) A refresher program with a minimum of eighty (80) hours of classroom-type instruction and eighty (80) hours of supervised clinical practice;

1. Classroom Type Instruction must be designed to provide instruction in the nursing process, structured medication administration; cardiopulmonary resuscitation; universal precautions; legal/ethical aspects of nursing and health care, and practice skills specific to the agency or areas of practice.

2. Supervised Clinical Practice: must be prior approved by the Board and provide eighty (80) hours in selected techniques specific to the agency or area of practice. The applicant must submit to the board for approval each of the following:

a. a copy of the current valid license card of the licensed registered nurse, doctor, dentist or podiatrist that will supervise the clinical practice. The licensed supervisor must have been licensed for at least three (3) years.

b. a calendar or outline of the supervised clinical practice and practice areas, including orientation, if applicable

c. a temporary permit must be issued prior to beginning the supervised clinical practice and must be completed within six (6) months of issuance of the temporary permit.

d. at the end of the supervised clinical practice, the licensed supervisor must verify in writing, on a form provided by the Board, that the applicant has satisfactorily completed the supervised clinical practice

e. the licensing examination in use at the time of application;

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§43-1-25; 43-26-35 and 43-26-38

400-2-.06 Temporary Permit. Amended.

(1) Further Training: An applicant for licensure by endorsement or reinstatement required to complete further training through supervised clinical practice may be issued a temporary permit, according to the provisions of law, as follows:

(a) The temporary permit shall be valid up to six (6) months or until final action upon the application for licensure by endorsement or reinstatement is taken by the Board and a license is issued, whichever occurs first. In either case, the temporary permit may not be valid for a period which exceeds six months and may not be re-issued.

(b) The holder of this temporary permit may obtain supervised clinical practice training under supervision as outlined in the board approved work proposal submitted to the board by the applicant on forms provided by the board.

(2) Endorsement: An applicant for licensure by endorsement or reinstatement that has submitted a completed application and provided verification of active practice may be issued a temporary permit according to the provisions of law as follows:

(a) Applicant has provided a current copy of their licensed practical/vocational nurse license from a NCLEX jurisdiction.

(b) The holder of this temporary permit may perform nursing duties under the supervision of a licensed registered nurse, doctor, podiatrist or dentist.

(c) The temporary permit shall be valid up to six (6) months or until final action upon the application for licensure by endorsement or reinstatement is taken by the Board and a license is issued, whichever occurs first. In either case, the temporary permit may not be valid for a period which exceeds six months and may not be re-issued.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§43-26-35 and 43-26-38

400-2-.08 Reinstatement of License: Requirements. Amended.

(1) An applicant for reinstatement must submit a completed application provided by the board and the following:

(a) Verification of active practice by submitting documentation of one of the following within the five (5) years immediately preceding the application:

1. three (3) months or 500 hours of paid licensed practice as a practical/vocational nurse; or

2. graduation from a nursing education program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application; or

3. completion of a Board-approved reentry/refresher program within the five (5) years immediately preceding the date of current application.

(b) Certification under seal of the applicant's current licensure, in good standing, as a licensed practical nurse in another jurisdiction, if applicable.

(c) The appropriate fee.

(d) Additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as the Board may deem necessary.

(2) An applicant for reinstatement who is unable to verify active practice of practical nursing as a licensed practical nurse within the five (5) year period preceding the date of application shall be required to pursue further training which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) Successful completion of a board approved practical nursing program followed by taking the licensing examination.

(b) A refresher program as described in 400-2-.04 (4)(b).

(c) The licensing examination in use at the time of application.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§43-26-35 and 43-26-39.

Ms. Shaw moved and Ms. Dumas seconded and the Board voted to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Recorded By:

Pam Candler, LPN Board Secretary

Grace Taylor, President

Approved By:

Attested by:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director

Mollie Fleeman, Division Director