

**Agency Mission:** To assure the citizens of Kansas safe and competent practice by nurses and mental health technicians.

**Kansas State Board of Nursing  
Practice Committee Agenda  
December 14, 2021**

**NOTE:** The meeting will be held via Zoom. Link to access meeting to follow agenda.

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Committee Members:** Rebecca Sander, MSN, RN – Chair  
Melissa Oropeza, DNP, APRN-BC, CGRN - Vice-Chair  
Lori Owen, LPN  
Gwendoln Loyd, MBA, MSN, RN  
Jeanne Gerstenkorn, MSN, RN – absent with prior notice  
Zui Holloman, RN  
Sharon Morris, MSN, RN  
Amy Renn, MSN, RN  
Tawny Sandifer, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

**Staff:** Linda Davies, BSN, RN, Practice Specialist  
Megan Hughes, Senior Administrative Specialist

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review onsite packet
- III. Additions/Revisions to Agenda
- IV. Announcements
- V. Approval of minutes – September 14, 2021
- VI. Unfinished Business
  - 1. Five Year Legislative Review
    - a. K.A.R. 60-3-102 – Duplication of initial licensure (nurse)
    - b. K.A.R. 60-7-102 – Duplication of initial licensure (LMHT)
  - 2. NCSBN Survey Response: Process to address Practice related questions
  - 3. RN LPN Scope of Practice – Components of Nursing Comparison Chart
- VII. New Business
  - a. NCSBN Policy Statement: Dissemination of Non-scientific and Misleading COVID-19 Information by Nurses
- VIII. Agenda for March 2022 Committee meeting
- IX. Adjournment

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## Agency 60

### Kansas State Board of Nursing

#### Article 3.—Requirements for Licensure and Standards of Practice

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**60-3-102. Duplicate of initial license.** When an individual's initial license has been lost or destroyed, a duplicate may be issued by the board upon payment of the fee specified in K.S.A. 65-1118, and amendments thereto. (Authorized by K.S.A. 65-1129; implementing K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-1106; effective Jan. 1, 1966; amended Jan. 1, 1972; modified, L. 1975, Ch. 302, Sec. 11, May 1, 1975; amended Nov. 21, 1994; amended April 29, 2016.)

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## Agency 60

### Kansas State Board of Nursing

#### Article 7.—Requirements for Licensure and Standards of Practice

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**60-7-102. Duplicate of initial license.** When an individual's initial license has been lost or destroyed, a duplicate may be issued by the board upon payment of the fee specified in K.S.A. 65-4208, and amendments thereto. (Authorized by K.S.A. 65-4203; implementing K.S.A. 65-4208; modified, L. 1975, Ch. 302, Sec. 9, May 1, 1975; amended April 20, 2001; amended April 29, 2016.)

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Nov. 16, 2021

## Policy Statement: Dissemination of Non-scientific and Misleading COVID-19 Information by Nurses

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### Purpose

To address the misinformation being disseminated about COVID-19 by nurses.

For the purposes of this statement, misinformation is defined as distorted facts, inaccurate or misleading information not grounded in the peer-reviewed scientific literature and counter to information being disseminated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

### Statement

Nurses are expected to be “prepared to practice from an evidence base; promote safe, quality patient care; use clinical/critical reasoning to address simple to complex situations; assume accountability for one’s own and delegated nursing care” (AACN, 2021).

SARS-CoV-2 is a potentially deadly virus. Providing misinformation to the public regarding masking, vaccines, medications and/or COVID-19 threatens public health. Misinformation, which is not grounded in science and is not supported by the CDC and FDA, can lead to illness, possibly death, and may prolong the pandemic. It is an expectation of the U.S. boards of nursing, the profession, and the public that nurses uphold the truth, the principles of the *Code of Ethics for Nurses* (ANA, 2015) and highest scientific standards when disseminating information about COVID-19 or any other health-related condition or situation.

When identifying themselves by their profession, nurses are professionally accountable for the information they provide to the public. Any nurse who violates their state nurse practice act or threatens the health and safety of the public through the dissemination of misleading or incorrect information pertaining to COVID-19, vaccines and associated treatment through verbal or written methods including social media may be disciplined by their board of nursing. Nurses are urged to recognize that dissemination of misinformation not only jeopardizes the health and well-being of the public, but may place their license and career in jeopardy as well.

### References

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). (2021). The Essentials: core competencies for professional nursing education. Retrieved from <https://www.aacnnursing.org/Portals/42/AcademicNursing/pdf/Essentials-2021.pdf>
- American Nurses Association. (2015). *Code of Ethics for Nurses*. Retrieved November 10, 2021, from <https://www.nursingworld.org/practice-policy/nursing-excellence/ethics/code-of-ethics-for-nurses/>

### Endorsements

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| National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN)      | National League for Nursing (NLN)                         |
| Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) | NLN Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA) |
| American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)       | National Student Nurses’ Association (NSNA)               |
| American Nurses Association (ANA)                        | Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN)          |
| American Organization for Nursing Leadership (AONL)      |   |