Advisory Groups

Advisory Groups provide advice regarding the regulation of ongoing Board programs and are similar to "standing committees." They meet several times a year or more frequently, as requested by the Board. Current Advisory Groups include Continuing Education, Dialysis, and Nursing Education. The Board also convenes and makes appointments to the Committee on Prescriptive Governance (see below).

The Board appoints members to the Advisory Groups during the November Board meeting each year. Each year, an application is posted on the Board website in late September or early October, and the application submission deadline is generally at the end of October. If you are interested, please watch for the information on the Board website.

Members of the Advisory Groups are not compensated for their time, but they receive their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties (Section 4723.02, ORC).

Continuing Education

The purpose of this Advisory Group is to provide structure and systems to effectively monitor processes of the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN) Approvers; provide comment and review on proposed revisions for the Nurse Practice Act and the administrative rules relating to continuing education; and address issues related to continuing education. Members are OBN Continuing Education Approvers, four continuing education providers, and one member actively involved with a national accreditation system for nursing continuing education.

Dialysis

As set forth in Section 4723.71 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Advisory Group on Dialysis advises the Board regarding the qualifications, standards for training, and competence of dialysis technicians and other matters related to dialysis technicians. Members include four dialysis technicians; a registered nurse who regularly performs dialysis and cares for patients who receive dialysis; a physician recommended by the state medical board who specializes in nephrology; an administrator of a dialysis center; a dialysis patient; a representative of the association for hospitals and health systems (OHA); and a representative from the end-stage renal disease network.

Nursing Education

The purpose of the Advisory Group on Nursing Education is to discuss issues related to nursing education programs; provide comment and review on proposed revisions for the Nurse Practice Act and administrative rules relating to nursing education. Members include representatives of pre-licensure nursing education programs, nurses in practice, a consumer, a staff development nurse, and an administrator or employer of nurses.

Committee on Prescriptive Governance

The Committee on Prescriptive Governance (CPG) develops recommendations regarding the authority to prescribe drugs and therapeutic devices by advanced practice registered nurses who hold a certificate to prescribe issued by the Board.

Members, appointment of members, terms, and charge/purpose are set forth in Sections 4723.49, 4723.491, and 4723.492 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Members include a clinical nurse specialist; a certified nurse-midwife; a certified nurse practitioner; a member of the Board of Nursing who is, at a minimum, a registered nurse; four physicians who meet the qualifications for appointment as specified in the ORC; a pharmacist member of the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy; and a pharmacist actively engaged in practice in Ohio as a clinical pharmacist.

Members of the CPG are appointed at various times of the year as terms end. The application process is similar as described above and information is posted on the Board's website as positions become open.

You can receive notification about Advisory Group appointments by signing up for eNews, Twitter, or Facebook. Subscribe on the Board website. Please sign up to receive Board information and updates throughout the year.