1 **Nursing Role in Legislation/BRN Issues**

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2 **Objectives**

- Identify purpose, role, & function of BRN in regards to discipline
- Describe BRNs disciplinary functions and Intervention Program
- Describe role of the BRN in re-instating an RN license

3 **The California Code of Regulations**

1. General Provisions
2. Registration & Exam
3. Prelicensure Nursing Programs
   - Citations & Fines
4. Grounds for Discipline
   - Intervention Program
5. Continuing Education
6. Nurse-Midwives
7. Standardized Procedure Guidelines
8. Standards for Nurse Practitioners
9. Public Health Nurse
10. Sponsored Free Health Care Events

4 **Nurse Practice Act (NPA)**

- Risk of_____in providing nursing care if we are_____or_____.
  - What is the state trying to protect?
- What is the RNs responsibility?

5 **From the BRN**

"The Nursing Practice Act (NPA) is the body of California law that mandates the Board to set out the scope of practice and responsibilities for RNs. The NPA is located in the California Business and Professions Code starting with Section 2700. Regulations which specify the implementation of the law appear in the California Code of Regulations."
Quote from the BRN website

6 **Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)**

- What kind of an agency is it and where does it exist?
- What was it established by law to do?

7 **Intervention Program**

- Who has authority to manage the program?
- Is_____&_____
- Is for _____ whose_____may be impaired d/t_____or _____
- What is the goal? How is public protected?
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8 **Why is the Program Needed?**

- What are nurses susceptible to?
- What does mental illness affect in the RN?
- What do nurses sometimes do?
  - What can a problem left untreated jeopardize?
- It provides an effective alternative to the traditional disciplinary process

9 **Eligibility to the program**

- Licensed & live in _____
- Abuse of_____and/or_____or are _____ _____
- Voluntarily agree to be part of a program and comply

10 **Ineligibility to the Program**

- Previously_____for_____ abuse or _____illness
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- Previously_____from the Intervention Program d/t_____

11 **Denied Admission to the Program**

- _____controlled substances
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- Caused patient_____or_____
  - Or created too great a_____to the_____

12 **See Attachment to the Handout**

- Review section: What services does the BRN's Intervention Program provide? For the Public and For the RN

13 **Is the Intervention Program Successful?**

- Yes – over 2000 RNs have completed successfully.
- Drug use Disorder
  - What must change?

- What must be clean and for how long?

- Mental Illness hx
  - What must be identified?
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14 **Disciplinary Actions based on**

- Severity & recency of what?
- Evidence of what?
- Ability to what?
- What kind of factors?
- History of what?

15 **Discipline Terminology (see attached handout)**

- Incompetence
- Gross Negligence
- Probation
- Revocation stayed
- Revoked/surrendered license
- Suspension

16 **Discussion**

- Discuss case #575084
- Discuss case #721967
- Discuss the BRN Discipline Board Meeting (if we attended)

17 **THANK YOU!!!**