



Nursing Practice Council (NPC)-Clinical Practice Issue Form

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Section 1: To be completed by nurse submitting clinical practice issue to NPC:

Clinical practice issue:

Nurses that work in Northern Nursing Stations have additional training in specialized skills like suturing. What would constitute the right environment for a nurse to do those same additional skills in SH-SS Emergency Departments?

Possible solutions:

Facility leadership aware: Yes ___ No

Section 2: To be completed by NPC:

NPC member assigned: Tamara Burnham

To NPC for:	Decision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Discussion ___	Referral
Priority:	Emergent	Urgent	Non-urgent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Status:	Active	Deferred	Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Status Update/Final Outcome:

June 7 2023-Discussed at NPC meeting. Group recognized that many of the additional skills are Reserved Acts under Regulated Health Professions Act; policy would be required-suggested to check NRHA policy; need to be aware that there are many additional skills done by northern nurses including prescribing medications-could become complicated; there may be many ED nurses that don't work up North that would be interested in doing additional skills.

June 9 2023-Discussed with Lorraine Cassan. Recommended doing further research and bringing back to NPC Sept meeting for final decision.

Communication back to submitting nurse: Date: July 28, 2023 Date: Sept 12, 2023 Date: Nov 9, 2023

Clinical Practice Issue-Additional Notes page(s) added Yes, see page 2.

NPC member signature upon completion:

Name: Tamara Burnham Signature: T. Burnham Date: Nov 9, 2023

Form Instructions For Use:

1. Form to be available in both electronic and print form (printed 2 sided).
2. Nurse submitting form is requested to:
 - a. Enter full name, date, program/facility, department/unit, email and phone number
 - b. Complete Section 1 (incomplete forms will be returned to sender with request for completion prior to acceptance)
 - c. Submit form via email to: nursingpracticecouncil@southernhealth.ca
3. NPC Administrative Assistant to regularly check NPC email and assign form to a NPC member.
4. Assigned NPC member to determine reason for bringing forward to NPC (decision, discussion or referral), do initial prioritization (emergent, urgent, non-urgent) and contact the nurse submitting clinical practice issue if further details needed.
5. Assigned NPC member to notify NPC Co-Chairs and Administrative Assistant of clinical practice issues requiring emergent attention.
6. Otherwise, assigned NPC member to prepare to discuss urgent/non-urgent issues at next scheduled NPC meeting.
7. Assigned NPC member to update/complete form as work on clinical practice issue occurs and send updates to NPC Administrative Assistant. "Clinical Practice Issue-Additional Notes" page to be added for further documentation if needed. Check box in Section 2 to be checked if additional notes added.
8. Assigned NPC member to provide ongoing and final communication updates to nurse that submitted clinical practice issue as needed.
9. Clinical practice issues to be tracked and monitored by NPC using Clinical Practice Tracking Spreadsheet.
10. Assigned NPC member to sign and date bottom of form when work complete.
11. All forms submitted to NPC will be posted on Southern Health-Santé Sud (SH-SS) Health Provider Site (HPS) when complete so that all SH-SS nurses/staff can be informed and aware.