



Nursing Practice Council (NPC)-Clinical Practice Issue Additional Notes

Clinical Practice Issue: Nurses With Additional Specialized Skills

Date	Note	NPC Member Printed Name	NPC Member Signature
July 20, 2023	Email sent July 19 to Chad Munro, VP Acute Care/ CNO, Northern Health Region (NHR) inquiring about practice/policy in their region. Email response received indicating he would investigate and advise.	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham
July 28, 2023	Follow up email to Wilma Lank-Wiebe requesting details about additional education completed, location that work in NHR is done and if she is aware of colleagues in regions other than NRHA where skills are done.	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham
Sept 12, 2023	Conversation with Wilma LW. She did a week of Northern Nursing Station education that included a number of specialized skills including suturing, prescribing, casting. In NHR, she only does these skills at nursing stations, not in Emergency Depts. She is not aware of any colleagues with same training that do this work other than in NHR nursing stations.	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham
Sept 25, 2023	Follow up email sent to C. Munro, NHR re: practice/policy in their region. Received response that "Suturing is only done by nursing at provincial and federal nursing stations, it is not an expectation or skill that is done in Acute Care sites of TGH, TPHC, FFGH, Gillam, Lynn Lake Leaf Rapids, or Snow Lake. We do not manage the education or policy for these areas clinically.	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham
Sept 26, 2023	<p>NPC meeting-Reviewed CPI summary of research/ follow up completed. Council discussed and in agreement with making decision to close issue with following motion passed:</p> <p>Motion to close issue with direction that Northern Nursing Station trained nurses would not be permitted to perform additional skills that they're able to do in Nursing Stations (ie. suturing) within the region because other models of care and health care provider roles exist (ie.Nurse Practitioners, Authorized Prescribers) to provide these services in the region.</p>	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham
Nov 9, 2023	Final communication to Wilma LW via email.	Tamara Burnham	T.Burnham