

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, September 15, 2016 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, DNP, FNP-BC
Julia Worthy, RN, MSN
Tina Fletcher, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Andrew Turnage, Executive Director, Trades 2

Barton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Shilling moved, Barton seconded and the Committee voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, September 15, 2016 Barton declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Fletcher moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI161165 - SH – Close the case.

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LPNI160372 – Hand serve request to appear for Investigative Interview.

LPNI160393 – Refer to the Attorney General’s Office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

LPNI170021 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI160161 – Table until receipt of additional documentation.

RNI170037 – Close the case.

RNI161103 – Close the case.

LPNI170062 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Ethics of Nursing Practice, Difficult or Challenging? Dealing with Patients, Aging and Long-Term Care

RNI170061 – Close the case.

RNI170060 – Close the case.

LPNI170073 – Refer for an Investigative Interview.

RNI170143 – Authorize as APRN.

LPNI160125 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Ethics of Nursing Practice, Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation and review the Nurse Practice Act.

RNI160863 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation, Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI160038/RNI160766 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations, continuing education language language and fine, random monthly drug screens for 12 months, quarterly thereafter. Must have at least one hair follicle test each quarter.

RNI160012 – Refer to Legal Services for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If licensee does not comply, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. May petition to lift with the mental physical examination completed within 30 days of petition.

RNI150587– Restart the terms of the consent order to beginning date of May 17, 2016.

RNI130097– Refer to Legal Services to hand serve an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If no response, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a summary suspension or voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. May petition to lift with the mental physical examination completed within 30 days of petition.

RNI160888/RNI161038 - Refer to Legal Services to hand serve an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

LPNI160305 – License with a Letter of Concern (Professional Accountability).

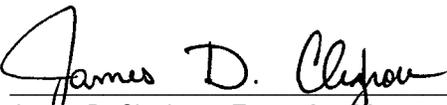
RNI161093 – Refer to Legal Services to hand serve an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI170082 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare), Substance Abuse Stipulation, Substance Abuse in Nursing and Continuing Education language. Barton abstained from the discussion.

LPNI150294 – Approve change in aftercare provider. Drug screens must be started within 30 days.

Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 5:23 p.m.


James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**