- Reduced the required hours for APRNs to obtain prescriptive authority from 1,000 to 750.
- Eliminated outdated requirements, such as the need for articulated plans for prescriptive authority.
- Clarified and expanded definitions related to delegation, collaboration, and professional nursing practice.
- These changes were significant—and they came directly from input provided by nurses, advocates, and professional organizations like CNA.

#### Your Voice Matters—Help Shape the Next Chapter

The Sunset Review is not just a bureaucratic exercise. It's a strategic opportunity for practicing

nurses to provide input, share real-world insights, and advocate for the tools, protections, and clarity we need to practice safely and effectively in today's complex healthcare landscape. This is our chance to help ensure that the Nurse Practice Act evolves to meet current challenges and advances nursing practice for the future.

The Workplace Advocacy ANT is preparing to actively engage in this process—and we want your voice at the table. Whether you're passionate about improving the work environment for nurses, advancing nurse autonomy, or making your voice heard in healthcare policy, your experience and insights are invaluable.

### Join the Movement for Meaningful Change

We invite all nurses—regardless of prior advo-

cacy experience—to join our team. We meet virtually on the first Tuesday of every month from 4–5 p.m. via Zoom. Our members collaborate on writing, research, policy analysis, and direct engagement with legislators and stakeholders.

If you have ideas for legislative or regulatory change, want to build advocacy skills, or simply connect with like-minded professionals who care deeply about nursing's future—this is your place to start. Join us as we continue to promote safer, healthier workplaces—and now, a Nurse Practice Act that reflects the realities and evolving needs of modern nursing. Want to attend a meeting or learn more? Contact us at nurseadvocacychairs@gmail.com—we'd love to connect with you!

# **Updates from the Colorado Board of Nursing**

### **LPN IV Therapy**

LPNs are now authorized to provide IV therapy within their scope of practice without needing an additional LPN-IV authority. The LPN authority license type has been eliminated due to Colorado's requirement for IV therapy training in LPN programs. LPNs with multistate licenses no longer need to apply for the compact-intravenous authority (C-IV). Employers will need to verify the IV therapy skills of licensees that are expected to provide IV therapy for clients upon hire and periodically per facility policy.

The IV therapy scope for the LPN is under the supervision of a professional nurse, physician, dentist or podiatrist and still restricted to the description found in revised Rule 1.9.

### Medical-Aesthetic Delegation Notice

Beginning Aug. 5, 2025, it will be a requirement that all clinical directors of medical-aesthetic services ensure that those unlicensed individuals under their delegation post or cause to be posted a notice in a highly visible area at the place of business and on its website certain required information. Informed

consent forms must also be obtained and retained for seven years. Please see House Bill 25-1024 for additional information.

# Public Member to the Board of Nursing

The Colorado Board of Nursing is seeking a public member. The Board encourages applicants from diverse backgrounds to apply, including, but not limited to, geographic location, race, gender and political affiliation. Interested parties should have no previous healthcare license, nor been employed by a healthcare entity, or have a financial interest in a healthcare organization.

If you know someone who would enjoy contributing to his or her community and collaborate with other public and professional board members to ensure public protection for Colorado's residents, please have them contact Roberta. Hills@state.co.us for more information. You may also have them submit an application to become a board member here.

# **Expert Consultants to the Board of Nursing**

The Board is also seeking Expert Consultants,

who review cases before the Board and provide expert opinions to help the Board determine whether a violation of the Nurse Practice Act has taken place. Expert Consultants may also be asked to testify in court as part of the disciplinary process. Training and compensation is provided.

#### **Expert Consultants must:**

- Be currently practicing, licensed for at least five years, and have no history of previous discipline. Exceptions to this requirement may be made for certain consultants at the Board's discretion.
- Currently hold an active license in good standing issued by a regulatory agency and cannot be currently under investigation by the regulatory agency or the subject of current disciplinary proceedings. Exceptions to the requirement may be made for certain consultants at the Board's discretion.

If you are interested in becoming an Expert Consultant, please fill out this application and send to dora\_dpo\_expert\_witnesses@state.co.us.