

## **PN Exam Transition Work Group Meeting Minutes: July 9, 2020**

### **Attendees**

Sandra DeLuca, June Mac-Donald Jenkins, Tania Pynn, Anne Marie Shin, Donna Rawlin, Angela Smith

### **Regrets**

Lise Bonin, Wendy Ellis, Silvana MacDonald, Erin Tilley

### **Welcome and introductions**

Everyone was thanked for attending the meeting.

### **Pandemic check-in**

Each participant shared their plans for fall academic delivery, noting that plans may change as COVID-19 pandemic updates and organizational decisions are confirmed. PN programs will most likely be delivered using a hybrid model, with theory taught online, some labs offered virtually and some labs on-site in smaller numbers to manage social-distancing requirements. A few programs are planning to offer online classes x 14 weeks in fall, moving all hands-on clinical placements for winter. Clinical placements are starting to become available in some areas of the province, with smaller numbers of students per clinical instructor (4:1 ratio).

### **Field-testing update**

NCSBN is planning alternate field-testing options for the REx-PN exam, which could include on-site testing, if still feasible, and online, remote options for students to complete at home. The group discussed several ideas and provided suggestions for consideration. Thanks to everyone for their participation and support to date.

### **Academic workshop update**

Academic workshops have now been revised to three one-hour online sessions to occur during the fall. Content being considered for the sessions is REx-PN test plan, CAT theory and CAT item writing. The group confirmed that sessions planned for October and November will work well for PN faculty, with suggestions to repeat each session more than once and starting sessions as early as end of August. The sessions will run together with BC faculty and each session will be recorded and available online for future viewing. Additional workshops with more hands-on interactive item writing are still being planned for Spring/Fall 2021.

### **Next meeting**

Friday, September 18, 2020, 11 a.m. – 12 noon