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FULL INDEPENDENT PRACTICE CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE

January 20, 2026

The meeting of the Full Independent Practice Credentialing Committee was called to order by Mark Foster, DNP, APRN, Chairperson of the Full Independent Practice Credentialing Committee at 9:00 a.m.

Members present:

Mark Foster, DNP, APRN, Chair
Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN, Co-Chair
Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN
Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN
William Hawkins, MD
Ashley Davis, Director ASBN

Members Absent: Amy Embry, Director ASMB

Also attending this meeting:

Tawnie Hughes, Attorney, Arkansas Attorney General's Office
Shannon McKinney, DNP, APRN, ASBN Assistant Director
Charissa McVay, MNsc, APRN, ASBN Program Coordinator

Additions to the agenda – There were no additions to the agenda.

Approval of Agenda – Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN moved to accept the agenda. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to accept the minutes. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. Mark Foster, DNP, APRN abstained. The motion passed.

Investigations and Complaints Update

Charisa McVay, APRN, ASBN Program Coordinator updated the committee on new complaints and pending ASBN investigations:

ORBS ID 86620 – alleges HIPAA violation. Pending ASBN investigation.

ORBS ID 102209 – A Letter of Warning was issued for unprofessional conduct.

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ORBS ID 113535 – alleges APRN is overprescribing. Pending ASBN investigation.

ORBS ID 109620 – ASBN investigation closed: no action.

ORBS ID 76949 – Two complaints; alleges substandard care and mismanagement. Pending ASBN investigation.

ORBS ID 98541 – alleges alcohol abuse. Pending ASBN investigation.

ORBS ID 77021 – alleges provides hormone replacement therapy without adequate training.
Pending ASBN investigation.

ORBS ID 56103 – alleges misdiagnosing. Pending ASBN investigation.

Review of Renewal Applications

Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to renew the full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 1. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

1. **Carla Smith A003948**
2. **Ellen Qualls A003179**
3. **Sherita Lee A005081**
4. **Samuel Hiser S001121**
5. **Kimberly Donner A003139**
6. **Abbey Shields CNP 120679**
7. **Vickie Mason A003748**
8. **Monica Williams A005097**
9. **Darlene Hampton A001594**
10. **Johnny Stevens A004282**
11. **Chassie Kirby A002934**
12. **Irma Perez A004015**
13. **Rebecca Webb A005017**
14. **Callie Taylor A004611**
15. **Kristin Wood A005224**
16. **Amanda Hawks-Paredes A005210**
17. **Renee Walls A001564**
18. **Dedrea White A001751**
19. **Jordan Kendrick A003665**
20. **Jerramy Icenhower CNP 123834**

Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN moved to renew the full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 2. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

1. **Shanna Rahmaan A004886**
2. **Shawna Middleton A003569**
3. **Jessica Fowler A004152**
4. **Tiffany Woodard A004120**
5. **Amber Mobley A005022**
6. **Pamela Chrisco A001742**
7. **Rhonda Finnie A003926**
8. **Brandye Bisek A003999**
9. **Joseph Tetirick A003816**
10. **Christal Martindale A001262**
11. **LaShonda Foreman A004599**
12. **Nicole Turner A003746**
13. **Hannah Lewis A004923**
14. **Timothy Morse A003210**
15. **Melinda Hulett A003535**
16. **Toni Myer A005529**
17. **Aaron Appler A005634**
18. **Kristi Jones A004142**
19. **Vincent Morgan CNP 122297**
20. **Sharon Stevenson A001413**

Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN moved to renew the full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 3. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

1. **Sadie Blackwell CNP 122023**
2. **Diana Holte A004336**
3. **Ashley Green A001912**
4. **Elena Russell A004254**
5. **Kelley Easley Dotson A001612**
6. **Jessica Armstrong A005718**

7. **Jaye Thompson A004323**
8. **Whitney Reed A004477**
9. **Nicole Critton A004709**
10. **Douglas Long A005415**
11. **Aimee Rawlings A004709**
12. **Barbara Strickland A005877**
13. **Jessica Daniel CNP 124012**
14. **Hilary Hartwig A004943**
15. **Julie Glover CNP 121043**
16. **Donna Long A004447**
17. **Crystal Stripling A004609**
18. **Jamie Yarberry A003534**
19. **Cynthia Musgrove A001032**
20. **Abby Rudolph A004804**

Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to renew the full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 4. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

1. **Deborah Shipman A001174**
2. **Jaclyn Piasta A004972**
3. **Suzanne Tambasco CNP 226343**
4. **Julie Ko A001945**
5. **Brian Perry A004901**
6. **Jennifer Tetirick A004399**
7. **Paul Partridge A005199**
8. **Keisha Fox CNP 121694**
9. **Ashley Walker A005364**
10. **Rana Burnside A001507**
11. **Lauren Blansett A004835**
12. **Angela Foster A003345**
13. **Debra Defreita-Cook A003817**
14. **Sharon Arnold A006209**
15. **Justin Kemp A003727**

- 16. Lisa McKnight CNP 121435**
- 17. Charlene Brown A003594**
- 18. Carolyn Hockersmith A004074**
- 19. Tracy Pilgrim A001248**
- 20. Dana Treat A003425**

Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to renew the full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 4. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

- 1. Alice Welch A003212**
- 2. Kimberly MacConaugh A003713**
- 3. Kimberly Benish A003590**

Fallon Wyatt, A004461 – Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to deferred renewal of the full independent practice certificate until the ASBN investigation is complete. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Review of Applications

Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 1. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

- 1. Olivia Davis A005450**
- 2. Stacia Wehunt A004016**
- 3. Samuel Bentley CNP 216169**
- 4. Kendra Norris CNP 230541**
- 5. Christopher Toney CNP 222377**
- 6. Christina Sullivan CNP 217955**
- 7. Lonnell Seamster CNP 122470**
- 8. Mary Melissa Darnell A001650**
- 9. Brittany Reynolds CNP 214914**
- 10. Connie Thach A004360**
- 11. Angela Cartwright A003228**
- 12. Rochelle Kelly A005255**
- 13. Ashley Shrives A004979**
- 14. Danielle James A006080**
- 15. Amy Hodges A004837**

- 16. Brittany Rose A005344**
- 17. Rebecca Powell A003855**
- 18. Cindy Hall CNP 120421**
- 19. Hannah Wilburn CNP 213177**

Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 2. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

- 1. Tanya Adams A006243**
- 2. Sharon McDaniel CNP 122456**
- 3. Margaret Barnum CNP 234818**
- 4. Amy Freeman CNP 121834**
- 5. Shonita Ellison S002325**
- 6. Wendy Hanner CNP 214604**
- 7. Aric Simmons A003464**
- 8. Amanda Whitaker A005997**
- 9. Collynn Tyler CNP 235241**
- 10. Harmony Vance CNP 222416**
- 11. Peggy Darty A004519**
- 12. Kristen Shepherd CNP 219568**
- 13. Casey Peterson CNP 234770**
- 14. Jill Pressnell CNP 230217**
- 15. Casey Wilson A006064**
- 16. Brandi Johnson CNP 234928**
- 17. Ashleigh Huntsman A004278**
- 18. Kimberly Browning A004830**
- 19. Cheryl Hamilton A005594**
- 20. Amber Patterson CNP 235298**

Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 3. It was seconded by Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

- 1. Robin Murphy A005488**
- 2. Callie Talley CNP 218059**
- 3. Laura Williams CNP 123933**

Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate to the following applicants in Batch 3 who have previous disciplinary action on their licenses. There was no second.

1. **Tammy Tatum A005961**
2. **Tiffany Tenort CNP 233385**
3. **Cody Tompkins CNP 218338**

Tammy Tatum, A005961 – There was discussion about the applicant's application packet. William Hawkins, MD moved to grant a certificate of full independent practice. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Tiffany Tenort, CNP 233385 – There was discussion about the applicant's application packet. Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a certificate of full independent practice. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Cody Tompkins, CNP 218338 – There was discussion about applicant's application packet. Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a certificate of full independent practice. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Candice Forte, CNP 125422 – There was discussion about applicant's application packet. Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

April Everhart, A005052 - There was discussion about applicant's application packet. Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Ashley Crow, A005493 – Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate for family only. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Ryan Fuson, CNP 230539 – Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate for family only. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Carmen Paniagua Torres, A002968 – Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate for adult/gerontology acute care only. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Wendy Roberts, A004779 – Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Keechia Muse, S002321/CNP 221657 – Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN moved to grant a full independent practice certificate for family. It was seconded by Leonie DeClerk, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Other Business

Darlene Byrd, DNP, APRN moved to approve to pay stipends to committee members per statute. It was seconded by Julia Ponder, DNP, APRN. The motion passed.

Annual financial disclosure forms and stipend forms are posted in the Resources folder. Financial disclosures are due by January 31, 2026.

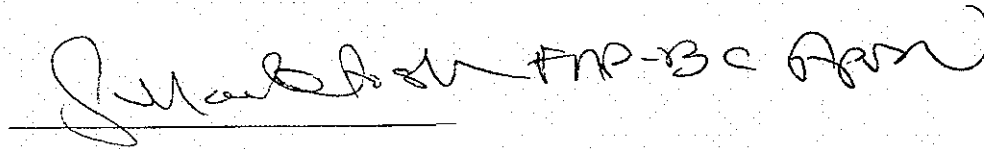
Meeting dates for 2026 were discussed and committee would like to move meetings to the fourth Tuesday of each month. 2026 meetings dates are as follows: April 21, 2026, July 21, 2026, and October 27, 2026.

Next Meeting

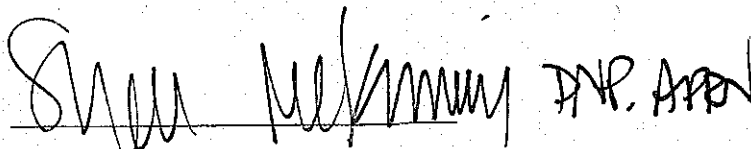
April 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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Mark Foster, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shannon McKinney FIP. Ann", written over a horizontal line.

Shannon McKinney, Recording Secretary