



National Tuberculosis Nurse Coalition Executive Board Conference Call Notes August 20, 2009

I. Welcome and Attendance

Members in attendance: Kathleen Hursen, Kathy Kolaski, Tammy McKenna, Judy Gibson.

II. Approval of Notes

The July 2009 notes were approved as written.

III. NTCA Conference Update

No report.

IV. Executive Director Report from Carol Pozsik

No report today.

V. Old Business

A. Annual Conference Planning

- No report

B. By-Laws

- Discussion and final revision completed.
- Changes made under Article 5- Section A. Composition and Terms and Section B. Elections with recommendation for further revisions sent to Kathy Kolaski by next meeting.

C. Formation of Nominating Committee and Potential Candidates

- Kathy Hursen has names of several possible new committee members and has received some suggestion for possible candidates for 2010 president elect and secretary.

D. Website

- Tammy talked with Jennifer Kanouse who is over website development and NTNC officers has been updated and will be sending out survey of the membership to elicit some ideas for the new website design. The results will help redirect the web design. More to come.

E. Committee Reports

- Specific committees will report at the monthly call.

VI. Old Business

A. Creation of a National TB Nurse Certification Workgroup

- Discussion surrounding the content of standards needed for ANA recognition of TB as a specialty.
- There are some very specific criteria (14) that must be met and further work needs to be done. The committee would review previous work, report details regarding which criteria have been met and utilize the TB Competencies that have been completed.
- The committee has developed a new work plan for next year and can coordinate with the Workforce Development Committee to have the remaining core competencies sent to the rest of the membership for review and input by next year's annual meeting.

VII. CDC Report from Judy Gibson

A. Judy Gibson joined the group and will be a regular participant.

B. Judy discussed the MDR TB Expert network call that the RTMCC conducts every other month that provides discussion and case consultation of MDR cases. Judy suggested that this would be an excellent format for nurses to use to present the many nursing and psycho-social challenges that nursing deals with case managing these type cases. Judy also shared that there is a newly formed Nurses workgroup at CDC that is partnering with Workforce Development as it relates to Public Health Nursing.

C. There are also two flagship projects looking at LTBI and MDR disease and adherence. Judy will continue to update the Board on these projects.

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2009, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.