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Dear Ms. Guidry:

Thank you for submitting your Petition for Practice Opinion. Pursuant to your request regarding the authorized scope of practice of a Registered Nurse to perform soft chamber hyperbaric oxygen therapy, the Louisiana State Board of Nursing considered your petition at the June 12, 2013 Board meeting.

That in reference to Board agenda item # 6.1 and in accordance with R.S. 37:913 (14) which states: **§913 (14):**

"Registered nursing" means the practice of the scope of nursing which is appropriate to the individual's educational level, knowledge, skills, and abilities...

After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following action:

That it is not within the scope of practice for a Registered Nurse to perform soft chamber/mild/low pressure hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you with your practice petition. Should you need the assistance of board staff in the future, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director
Louisiana State Board of Nursing

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