

December 11, 2000

James Ingram, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Ingram:

Pursuant to your request regarding the scope of practice of a registered nurse performing the injection of sclerotherapy on telangiectasias (spider veins) less than 1 mm in diameter, your request was studied by the Nursing Practice Committee on October 24, 2000. The Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on December 6, 2000 and, after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 6.1, that it is within the scope of authorized practice for an RN to perform the injection of sclerotherapy on telangiectasias (spider veins) less than 1 mm in diameter after the assessment and orders by a licensed physician provided the RN has appropriate knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform the injections and said documents of competency are in her/his file.

The Board expressed their appreciation for your attendance at the Committee meeting to answer their questions and explain the procedure.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

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