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Dear Ms. Frank:

Pursuant to your request regarding a registered nurse in the perioperative arena placing the cervical tenaculum and the uterine manipulator to expedite the start of surgery was studied by the Nursing Practice Committee on April 23, 2002. The Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on June 5, 2002, and, after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 6.1, that it is **not** within the scope of practice of a registered nurse to place the cervical tenaculum and uterine manipulator.

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

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

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