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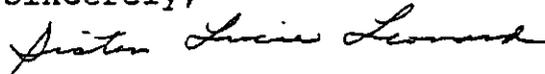
Dear Ms. Weaver:

You will recall that, at its September meeting, the Board of Nursing postponed its decision regarding the insertion of subclavian lines by C.R.N.A.s until it could obtain an opinion from the Board of Medical Examiners relative to the delegation of that procedure by a physician.

The aforementioned opinion of the Board of Medical Examiners was presented to the Board of Nursing at its December 1-2, 1983 meeting. There was general agreement among the members of the Board of Nursing that inserting subclavian lines is not within the legal realm of the practice of a C.R.N.A.

A copy of the letter from the Board of Medical Examiners is enclosed for your reference.

Sincerely,



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