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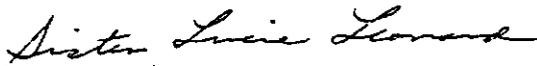
Dear Ms. Penton:

On January 24, 1986, the Louisiana State Board of Nursing deliberated on your question: Is it legal for the R.N. to remove an epidural catheter? The Board's opinion is as follows:

The removal of an epidural catheter is reserved for the practice of the C.R.N.A.

If I can further assist you with nursing practice matters, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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