

# Louisiana State Board of Nursing

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Dear Ms. Ollis:

On May 9, 1986, the Board of Nursing deliberated on your request for an official opinion of the Board regarding the delegation of certain home nursing functions to licensed practical nurses. The Board's opinion is as follows:

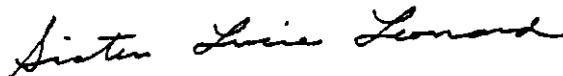
It is contrary to the Nurse Practice Act of Louisiana to delegate to the Licensed Practical Nurse in the home care setting the following acts:

- (1) Initial assessment of the clients
- (2) Perform venipunctures
- (3) Perform arterial punctures
- (4) Administer intravenous medications

The Board members appreciated the opportunity to discuss this matter with Albert Velotta and Sharon Saybe prior to formulating their opinion. Additionally, Mr. Velotta provided a written copy of his presentation for our file.

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

Sincerely,



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