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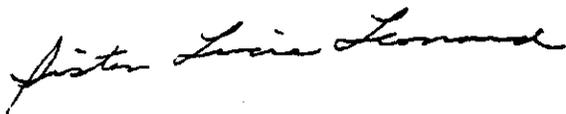
Dear Ms. Gibson:

On July 25, 1986, the Board of Nursing deliberated on your question regarding the removal of intracaths used for caudal anesthesia. The Board's opinion is as follows:

It is within the realm of legal practice for a registered nurse to remove a caudal catheter provided that said nurse has the appropriate knowledge and skills and that this is documented in his/her file.

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

Sincerely,



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