

February 19, 1993

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Dear Mmes. Domingue and Biba:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding a registered nurse inserting an EMG electrode into the striated muscle of the pelvic floor for the purpose of electromyography was presented to the Board at its meeting on February 12, 1993.

The Nursing Practice Committee studied the information you sent and the information you presented at the Committee meeting, and reviewed the related previous action of the Board. At the February 12, 1993 meeting of the Board, the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board. After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 4.3, it is within the legal scope of practice for registered nurses to insert an EMG electrode into the striated muscle of the pelvic floor for the purpose of electromyography (EMG), provided said registered nurses have appropriate knowledge, skills, and abilities documented in their files. The educational preparation shall include planned didactic instruction and supervised practice, with documented competency.

The Nursing Practice Committee appreciated your presentation at the meeting of the Committee.

If you have questions about this matter, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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