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Dear Ms. Scaffidi:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding registered nurse reinserting button-type gastrostomy tubes was presented to the Board at its meeting on February 15, 1995.

The Nursing Practice Committee studied the issue, and, at its January 9, 1995 meeting, the Committee formulated a recommendation to the Board of Nursing. On February 15, 1995 the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board, and after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 4.2, the reinsertion of a button-type gastrostomy tube is within the realm of advanced nursing practice provided said nurse has documented knowledge, skills, and abilities.

If you have questions regarding this opinion, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN

Executive Director

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