

February 21, 1996

Mary Bowser, RN, NCMT
Legislative Director
National Association of Nurse Massage Therapists
6190 W. 52nd Street
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Dear Ms. Bowser:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding if it is within the scope of practice for a registered nurse to perform massage therapy was presented to the Board at its February 1, 1996 meeting.

The Nursing Practice Committee studied the issue at its January 8, 1996 and formulated a recommendation to the Board of Nursing. On February 1, 1996 the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board, and after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In response to Agenda Item 4.11:

That there is nothing to prohibit a registered nurse from performing massage therapy providing the said nurse has documented knowledge, skills, and ability on file.

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

Sincerely,

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