

February 4, 1998

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Dear Ms. Fraley:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding the role of the registered nurse in Albunex contrast echocardiography was presented to the Board at its meeting on February 4, 1998.

The information you sent and related information was studied by the Nursing Practice Committee on January 5, 1998 and the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board on February 4, 1998, and, after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 6.4, that the Board uphold its rule (LAC 46:XLVII.4111) it is not within the scope of practice for a registered nurse to delegate to an LPN the IV administration of Albunex, a 5% human Albumin solution derived from FDA approved plasma donors that is used as an aid for ultrasound contrast, e.g. echocardiography.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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