

August 28, 1998

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Dear Ms. Morse:

Pursuant to your request for an opinion of the Louisiana State Board of Nursing regarding nurse practice opinion 94.04 that prohibits a registered nurse from inserting a PICC line using the Seldinger technique was presented to the Board of Nursing.

The information you sent and related information was studied by the Nursing Practice Committee on July 27, 1998 and the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on August 26, 1998, and, after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 6.5, to amend nursing practice opinions 94.04 & 96.21 by removing the clause "via non- Seldinger technique".

The Board expressed appreciation for the informational materials submitted with the request. If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

cc: Tracy Burns, RN
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