

February 24, 1992

Nita R. Little, RN
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100 S. Spruce Street
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RE: Nursing Practice Opinion

Dear Ms. Little:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding the legal role of registered nurses as a member of an ambulance team was presented to the Board at its meeting on February 21, 1992.

The Nursing Practice Committee had reviewed all of the information you sent and had reviewed additional relevant literature. At the February 21 meeting, the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board. After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to Agenda Item # 4.3, there is nothing to prohibit a registered nurse from performing necessary nursing functions or emergency care following established protocols as a member of an ambulance team, provided said registered nurse has appropriate knowledge, skills and abilities, which include advanced life support, and has documentation in his/her records.

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

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

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