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## **PRACTICE COMMITTEE**

### **NOTICE**

The Practice Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 27, 2005 at 9:00 AM in the Board Room, 3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 601, Metairie, LA.

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes of the April 27, 2005 Meeting
4. Old Business:
  - 4.1 CRNA Scope of Practice – whether it is within the scope of practice for a CRNA to perform procedures involving the injection of local anesthetics, steroids and analgesics for pain management purposes, including, but not limited to, peripheral nerve blocks, epidural injections (62310), and spinal facet joint injections (64470 & 64472) when the CRNA can document education, training and experience in performing such procedures
  - 4.2 Request for an opinion related to the RN performing an ultrasound to determine fetal presentation in labor and delivery.
  - 4.3 RN (OR nurses) assisting in the closure of the skin with a skin stapler or sutures while the surgeon is present, managing the wound and positioning the skin.
  - 4.4 Administration of Natrecor in the home setting with RN supervision.
5. New Business: Request for nursing practice opinions of the Board of Nursing
  - 5.1 RN delegating to the LPN vacuum assisted closure (VAC) / Wound Vac dressing changes in the home setting for stable wounds provided the RN sees the patient at least one time per week for dressing change and wound assessment. And, provided there are no wound complications such as: signs and symptoms of infection, exposure of organs or other vital structures, excessive bleeding or anticoagulant therapy.

- 5.2 Administration of radionucleotides, namely Cardiolite and Neurolite, which are diagnostic tracer elements used for cardiac stress testing and for focal seizure diagnosis.
  - 5.3 Preparing intravenous fluids with anesthetic agent (Naropin) and opiate agonists (Sufenta) for epidural anesthesia and assembling the pump by priming the tubing with the mixture for administration of the medication by the anesthesia provider.  
**Petitioner requests to defer to the October meeting since she was unable to attend.**
  - 5.4 RN delegating the administration of intramuscular (IM) Rh (D) Immune Globulin (Rhogam, Rhophylac) to the LPN after review and under the supervision of the RN
  - 5.5 RN administering chemotherapy into an implanted hepatic arterial pump or hepatic arterial infusion (HAI) for the purpose of treating metastatic cancer of the liver.
  - 5.6 CRNA requesting to write orders for medication in relation to anesthesia care without prescriptive authority or a collaborative practice agreement.
  - 5.7 RN delegating to the LPN functions related to patient controlled analgesia (PCA)
  - 5.8 RN removing medication from the medication storage machine (Pyxis) for anesthesia personnel.
  - 5.9 RN as member of a rapid response team to administer the following classifications of drugs for rapid intubation for emergent airway management in a patient having an acute, life-threatening airway event: Neuromuscular Blocking agents, propofol, and etomidate with the following provisos: Critical Care (Intensivist MD) is present performing the intubation; and setting could be anywhere in the facility in response to a “code” or emergency.
6. Announcements/Communications
  7. Adjournment