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Pursuant to your request regarding the authorized scope of practice of registered nurses applying Anodyne Therapy in both clinical and home health settings, the Practice Committee considered your petition at the January 25, 2005 Practice Committee meeting. The Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on March 16, 2005, and after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following action:

That in reference to agenda item 6.1 and in accordance with R.S. 37:913(14)(1) that it is within the scope of practice for the RN to administer a monochromatic infrared photo energy treatment for indicated conditions, such as wound healing, in the clinical and home settings provided the RN has documented knowledge, skills and abilities.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this communication.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director
Louisiana State Board of Nursing

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