March 16, 2000

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Dear Mr. Gomez:

Pursuant to your request for additional CPT codes for certified nurse practitioners, your request and the information you submitted was studied by the Nursing Practice Committee on January 26, 2000. The Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on March 15, 2000, and, after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 6.1, the following CPT codes are within the scope of practice for C-NP to assist the surgeon with the following surgeries provided the C-NP has documented knowledge, skills, and ability at the advanced practice level: 32220; 32440; 32480; 32482; 32500; 32655; 33405; 33430; 33510; 33511; 33512; 33513; 33514; 33516; 33517; 33518; 33519; 33521; 33522; 33534; 33535; 35081; 35102; 35141; 35301; 35506; 35583; 35585; 35641; 35656; 35661; 35666; 60521.

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

Sincerely,

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