

Declan Stoner, RN
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Dear Ms. Stoner:

Pursuant to your request regarding the educational requirements of registered nurses removing peripheral inserted percutaneous central catheters (PICC) in the hospital setting, your request was studied by the Practice Committee on July 15, 2003. The Committee presented its recommendation to the Board of Nursing on September 12, 2003, and after due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinions:

That in reference to agenda item 6.13, it is within the scope of practice for RNs to remove PICC lines in the acute care setting provided the RN has relevant knowledge, skills, and abilities.

Contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director, LSBN

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