March 28, 1988~

Thomas Halbert, R.Ph.~ President~ O.P.T.I.O.N. Care~ Home I.V. & Nutritional Service~ 1220 Maryland Avenue~ Alexandria, LA 71301~

Dear Mr. Halbert:~

Your request for a reconsideration by the Board of Nursing of its opinion regarding the delegation of monitoring of IVs in ICFs, adopted by the Board on January 22, 1988, was presented to the Board on March 25, 1988.

After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following revised opinion: .08

In reference to agenda item 6, it is within the realm of practice for a registered nurse to perform IV therapy in an Intermediate Care Facility and to delegate the monitoring of the IV with no additives or medications to licensed practical nurses when the registered nurse is not present in the facility provided that the criteria for delegation are met.

The members of the Board appreciated the information you sent prior to the meeting.

Sincerely,~

Sister Lucie Leonard, MSN, RN~ Nursing Practice Consultant~