

May 19, 1993

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Dear Ms. Morse:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding a registered nurse performing endotracheal intubation utilizing a tracheal-bronchial scope was presented to the Board at its meeting on May 14, 1993.

The Nursing Practice Committee studied the information you sent and reviewed related previous actions of the Board. Additionally, the Committee held a telephone conference with you and the Committee members appreciated your further clarification of the question.

At the May 14, 1993 meeting of the Board, the Committee presented its recommendation to the Board. After due deliberation, the Board adopted the following opinion:

In reference to agenda item 4.6, it is not within the realm of practice for a registered nurse to perform intubation using the tracheal-bronchial fiberscope.

The Board members also appreciated your input at the Board meeting.

If you have questions about this matter, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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