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Dear Ms. Haslauer:

Your request for an opinion of the Board of Nursing regarding a registered nurse delegating to a certified medication attendant (CMA) the performance of gastrostomy tube feedings 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. 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 4.9, the delegation of gastrostomy tube feedings to unlicensed personnel is not in accord with LAC 46:XLVII.12 because appropriate RN supervision is not available during task implementation.

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

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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