

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Health

Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter (PICC) Insertion and Removal (LAC 46:XLVII.3707)

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S.49:950 et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 37:918, that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) is proposing rule changes to Chapter 37, Section 3707, under Title 46, Professional and Occupational Standards, Part XLVII. The proposed change will repeal all language pertaining to Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter Insertion and Removal.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part XLVII. Nurses: Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses

Subpart 2. Registered Nurses

Chapter 37. Nursing Practice

~~§3707. Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter (PICC) Insertion and Removal~~

~~A. Definition~~

~~PICC Line—peripherally inserted central catheters (PICCs) are venous devices used to administer all types of intravenous medications and solutions. PICCs are soft, flexible catheters.~~

~~B. Registered nurses may insert, secure and remove central catheters through peripheral venous sites provided that the following conditions are met:~~

- ~~1. documentation of satisfactory completion of a minimum of four hours of study in an appropriate instructional program and verification of employment in a supervised clinical practice on file with the employer;~~
- ~~2. catheter placement is pursuant to a physician or other qualified prescriber's order for the procedure;~~
- ~~3. the procedure is performed according to appropriately established policy and procedure of the health care facility, employing agency and/or physician's office;~~
- ~~4. in view of the proliferation of various catheter products available for placement, the registered nurse must be knowledgeable about the manufacturer's suggestions and precautions concerning the specific catheter product utilized, and should review product information on a frequent basis; and~~

~~5. prior to initiation of therapy, catheter tip placement must be determined by a physician or an advanced practice registered nurse with the following provisos:~~

- ~~a. The procedure of verifying catheter tip placement by an APRN is a written established institutional/facility policy which:~~
 - ~~i. delineates that the APRN must be credentialed by the agency prior to performing the procedure;~~
 - ~~ii. ii. delineates the specific procedure in the clinical privileges of the individual APRN;~~
 - ~~iii. verifies competencies initially and at regular intervals through methods including but not limited to direct observation;~~
 - ~~iv. provides that the final verification of catheter tip placement performed via radiographic methods be provided by a physician; and~~
 - ~~v. requires and documents evidence of formal didactic educational preparation and clinical experiences of the APRN to perform the procedure.~~

~~C. In order for a registered nurse to be authorized by the board under this Section, the instructional program shall include the following courses of study:~~

- ~~1. for nurses performing duties to include insertion of PICC lines:~~
 - ~~a. anatomy and physiology of circulation and fluid balance;~~
 - ~~b. indications and contradictions for PICC placement;~~
 - ~~c. complications and management techniques to include potential adverse reactions;~~
 - ~~d. techniques for placement of PICC lines may include ultrasound techniques;~~
 - ~~e. techniques for placement of PICC line placement and removal; and~~
 - ~~f. nursing responsibilities;~~
- ~~2. for nurses performing duties that would include management and monitoring of PICC lines:~~
 - ~~a. anatomy and physiology of circulation and fluid balance;~~
 - ~~b. indications and contraindications for PICC placement;~~
 - ~~c. complications and management techniques to include potential adverse reactions; and~~
 - ~~d. nursing responsibilities;~~
- ~~3. for nursing performing the duties of PICC line removal:~~
 - ~~a. techniques for PICC line removal;~~
 - ~~b. complications and management techniques to include potential adverse reactions; and~~
 - ~~c. nursing responsibilities.~~

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:918.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Nursing, LR 36:64 (January 2010) amended LR 39:501 (March 2013).

Family Impact Statement

The proposed additions and/or changes to the rules of the board, Louisiana State Board of Nursing should not have any known or foreseeable impact on any family as defined by R.S. 49:972(D) or on family formation, stability and autonomy. Specifically, there should be no known or foreseeable effect on:

1. the stability of the family;
2. the authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children;
3. the functioning of the family;
4. a family's earnings and budget;
5. the behavior and personal responsibility of the children; or
6. the family's ability or that of the local government to perform the function as contained in the proposed Rule.

Poverty Impact Statement

In compliance with Act 854 of the 2012 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the poverty impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule will not have an impact on child, individual, or family poverty in relation to individual or community asset development as described on R.S. 49:973

Small Business Analysis

The impact of the proposed Rule on small businesses, as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, has been considered. It is estimated that the proposed action is not expected to have any significant adverse impact on small businesses. The agency, consistent with health, safety, environmental and economic welfare factors has considered and, where possible, utilized regulatory methods in the drafting of the proposed rule that will accomplish the objectives of applicable statutes while minimizing the adverse impact of the proposed rule on small businesses.

Provider Impact Statement

In compliance with House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 170 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the provider impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule will not have an impact on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service, no direct or indirect cost to the provider to provide the same level of service and will have no impact on the provider's ability to provide the same level of service as described in HCR 170.

Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed Rule to Karen C. Lyon, Executive Director, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810 or by facsimile to (225) 775-7585. All comments must be submitted by 5p.m. on before July 10, 2025.

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FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

RULE TITLE: Peripherally Inserted Central Catheter (PICC) Insertion and Removal

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

Other than the cost of rulemaking, there are no estimated implementation costs or savings for state or local government units resulting from the promulgation of the proposed rule change. The cost for the Louisiana State Board of Nursing is approximately \$250 for the notice and rule publication in the Louisiana Register.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to impact the revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

There are no anticipated economic losses to healthcare providers or healthcare institutions resulting from the proposed rule change. The repeal of LAC 46: XLVII.3707 allows healthcare providers and institutions to determine the appropriate verification procedure for the insertion and removal of Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters, as relates to the practice of nursing.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule change will have no effect on competition or employment.