

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY  
STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the ) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT  
amendment of ARM 8.32.1408 )  
and 8.32.1409, relating to )  
LPN IV procedures )

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On August 29, 2002, the Department of Labor and Industry published notice of the proposed amendment of the above-stated rules at page 2294 of the 2002 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 16.

2. On September 23, 2002, a public hearing on the proposed amendment of the above-stated rules was conducted in Helena. Comments were received from the Montana Nurses' Association (MNA), prior to the closing of the comment period on September 30, 2002.

3. The Board of Nursing (Board) has thoroughly considered the comments made and the Board's responses are as follows:

8.32.1408 STANDARDS RELATING TO THE LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE'S ROLE IN INTRAVENOUS (IV) THERAPY

Comment 1: The MNA provided written testimony in support of the proposed rule amendments. The MNA offered three minor editorial suggestions to ARM 8.32.1408, for the purpose of consistency and clarity of language within the LPN rules.

Response 1: The Board thanks the MNA for their comments and suggestions regarding this rule amendment. The Board has considered the editorial suggestions and has incorporated one of them into the rule amendments.

4. After consideration of the comments, the Board has amended the following rule, exactly as proposed:

8.32.1409 PROHIBITED IV THERAPIES

5. After consideration of the comments, the Board has amended the following rule as proposed, with the following changes, stricken matter interlined, new matter underlined:

8.32.1408 STANDARDS RELATING TO THE LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE'S ROLE IN INTRAVENOUS (IV) THERAPY (1) through (6)(b) remain the same as proposed.

(c) accessing, ~~blood draws~~ drawing blood, ~~flushes~~ flushing with a normal saline solution or a specific heparin flush solution, and ~~dressing changes~~ changing dressings of hemodialysis central-venous catheters; and

(d) remains the same.

AUTH: 37-1-131, 37-8-202, MCA

IMP: 37-1-131, 37-8-202, MCA

BOARD OF NURSING  
KIM POWELL, RN, Chair

By: /s/ WENDY J. KEATING  
Wendy J. Keating, Commissioner  
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY

By: /s/ KEVIN BRAUN  
Kevin Braun  
Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State: November 1, 2002.