

Scope of Nursing Practice Decision-making Framework

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Identify, describe, or clarify the activity, intervention, or role under consideration.

Is the activity, intervention, or role prohibited by the NPA and rules/regulations or any other applicable laws, rules/regulations, or accreditation standards or professional nursing scope and standards?

YES

STOP

NO

Is performing the activity, intervention, or role consistent with evidence-based nursing and health care literature?

NO

STOP

YES

Are there practice setting policies and procedures in place to support performing the activity, intervention, or role?

NO

STOP

YES

Has the nurse completed the necessary education to safely perform the activity, intervention, or role?

NO

STOP

YES

Is there documented evidence of the nurse's current competence (knowledge, skills, abilities, and judgments) to safely perform the activity, intervention, or role?

NO

STOP

YES

Does the nurse have the appropriate resources to perform the activity, intervention, or role in the practice setting?

NO

STOP

YES

Would a reasonable and prudent nurse perform the activity, intervention, or role in this setting?

NO

STOP

YES

Is the nurse prepared to accept accountability for the activity, intervention, or role and for the related outcomes?

NO

STOP

YES

The nurse may perform the activity, intervention, or role to acceptable and prevailing standards of safe nursing care

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