

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Practice Decision

The Role of the RN with Intraosseous Catheter Placement and Infusion

RN's and IO's

As previously decided by the board, it is within the scope of the RN to place an intraosseous catheter for emergency infusions and medications. This is considering it is within the facility policy and the following criteria have been met.

1. The RN has demonstrated competencies set forth by the facility.
2. The RN has the required certification i.e. Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support.
3. The intraosseous catheter will be removed once stable vascular access has been obtained.

References

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