# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

### **Practice Decision**

# The LPN Scope of Practice Regarding Phlebotomy and Blood Sampling Collection

The Nevada State Board of Nursing finds that it is within the scope of practice of a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) who has completed a course in intravenous therapy pursuant to NAC 632.242, NAC 632.470 and NAC 632.475 and acts pursuant to a written order by an advanced practice nurse, licensed physician, a licensed physician assistant, licensed dentist or a licensed podiatric can perform phlebotomy interventions as identified in this practice decision.

Additionally, a properly trained LPN in compliance with <u>NAC 632.242</u> may conduct phlebotomy interventions as described in this practice decision.

#### The LPN may:

- 1. Access peripheral vasculature via venipuncture with the appropriate collection equipment/device for the purpose of blood sampling and specimen collection.
- 2. Withdraw blood from a peripheral intravenous line prior to infusion of intravenous fluids.
- 3. Withdraw blood from a peripherally inserted central venous catheter pursuant to NAC 632.450

The educationally prepared and properly trained LPN must:

- Follow clinical practice guidelines from (INS) addressing the knowledge and skills for completing proper assessment, procedure and documentation.
- Follow applicable written procedures and policies approved by medical staff and the nursing administration of the employing agency.

## The LPN may not:

Conduct Therapeutic Phlebotomy procedures as defined by the Nurse Infusion Society (INS).

#### Reference:

 Nurse Infusion Society. Phlebotomy and Blood Sampling Clinical Practice Guidelines. Retrieved from: Journalofinfusionnursing.com. Vol 44 Number15 January/February 2021

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