

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Practice Decision

The LPN Scope of Practice Regarding Assessment and Minimum Data Set (MDS) / Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI)

The Nevada State Board of Nursing finds that it is within the scope of practice of a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) to complete data collection in sections of the MDS 3.0 Resident Assessment Instrument provided the LPN meets the following educational requirements and practices with the provisions of performing a Focused Nursing Assessment pursuant to [NAC 632.232](#).

Requirements for LPN conducting MDS/RAI Assessment:

1. Assignment by RN Coordinator:
A Registered Nurse (RN) Coordinator must assign the completion of the MDS/RAI Assessment to the LPN, consistent with [NAC 632.230](#)
2. Training Requirements:
The LPN has completed MDS 3.0 training equivalent to but not limited to, the requirements in [NAC 632.242](#).

Recommended Resources:

- MDS 3.0 Certificate Program (RAI-CT) – MDS Training Institute:
<https://www.mdstraininginstitute.org/SuccessWebsite/services-3/mds-3-0-coordinator-certificate-program-2/mds-3-0-certificate-program/>
- MDS 3.0 Training – CMS:
<https://www.cms.gov/medicare/quality-initiatives-patient-assessment-instruments/nursinghomequalityunits/nhqimds30trainingmaterials/>