

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 632.120.

Section 1. NAC 632.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.220 1. A registered nurse shall perform or supervise:

(a) The verification of an order given for the care of a patient to ensure that it is appropriate and properly authorized and that there are no documented contraindications in carrying out the order;

(b) Any act necessary to understand the purpose and effect of medications and treatments and to ensure the competence of the person to whom the administration of medications is delegated; and

(c) The initiation of intravenous therapy and the administration of intravenous medication.

2. A registered nurse shall take orders only from a licensed physician, dentist, podiatric physician or advanced practitioner of nursing. A registered nurse may refuse an order if he takes appropriate action to ensure the safety of a patient.

3. If a prescription specifies a range of the dosage or frequency for the administration of a medication, a registered nurse may adjust the dosage or frequency of the medication within that range when he administers the medication to a patient.