

Alabama Board of Nursing Scope of Practice - RN/LPN Decision Making Model

Identify and describe the act being performed.

Is the act expressly prohibited by the Alabama Nurse Practice Act or the ABN Administrative Code?

YES



NO

Is the act expressly permitted by the Alabama Nurse Practice Act or the ABN Administrative Code?

NO



YES

Does the act require you to have substantial specialized nursing knowledge, skill, and independent judgment? (i.e. considered advanced practice nursing)

YES



NO

Basic scope of practice for
CNS, CRNA, CRNP, CNM

Are you authorized to practice nursing as a Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse in the State of Alabama?

NO



YES

Is the act consistent with the standards of practice?

NO



YES

Do you personally possess the depth and breadth of knowledge to perform the act safely and effectively?

NO



YES

Do you personally possess current clinical competence to perform the act safely?

NO



YES

Is the performance of the act within the accepted "standard of care" which could be provided in similar circumstances by reasonable and prudent nurses who have similar training and experience?

NO



YES

Is performance of this act authorized in appropriately established policies and procedures of your employing facility?

NO



YES

Are you prepared to accept the consequences of your action?

NO



YES

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