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**OPINION:** MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION  
DURING PANDEMIC  
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An advisory opinion adopted by WSBN is an interpretation of what the law requires. While an advisory opinion is not law, it is more than a recommendation. In other words, an advisory opinion is an official opinion of WSBN regarding the practice of nursing as it relates to the functions of nursing. Facility policies may restrict practice further in their setting and/or require additional expectations related to competency, validation, training and supervision to assure the safety of their patient population and/or decrease risk.

Within the Scope of Practice/Role of \_X\_\_APRN \_X\_\_RN \_X\_\_LPN \_CNA

**ADVISORY OPINION  
MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION DURING PANDEMIC**

In accordance with Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 33-21-122(c)(iii) of the Wyoming Nursing Practice Act (NPA), the Wyoming State Board of Nursing (WSBN) has approved the following Advisory Opinion on Medication Administration during Pandemic.

**Per the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program, it is within the scope of practice of a licensed nurse to administer pre-packaged medications, under the lawful order of the county/state health officer for mass antiviral/antimicrobial dispensing, provided there is no mixing or repackaging of medications from the manufacturer.**

**REFERENCES**

State of Wyoming, Department of Health, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program. *Public Health Pandemic Influenza Response*. (version 8.0). (September 2013). Retrieved from: [www.health.wyo.gov/Media.aspx?mediald=14605](http://www.health.wyo.gov/Media.aspx?mediald=14605).