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**OPINION: REVERSAL OF ADVISORY OPINIONS**

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**ORIGINATING COMMITTEE:**

Practice & Education Committee

An advisory opinion adopted by WSNB 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 WSNB 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\_ APN \_X\_ RN \_X\_ LPN \_X\_ CNA

**ADVISORY OPINION  
REVERSAL OF ADVISORY OPINIONS**

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 the Reversal of Advisory Opinions.

The Board receives many inquiries regarding advisory opinions related to nursing practice and/or education. An advisory opinion adopted by the Board is an interpretation by the Board 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 the WSNB regarding the practice of nursing as it relates to a specific standard of care. **Evidence based practice influences the standard of care. As this is a dynamic process, the Board may reverse the position of any previously released opinion to correspond with the current standard of care.**