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

**ADVISORY OPINION**

**EDUCATIONAL PREPARATIONS FOR LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION & RECOGNITION**

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 Educational Preparation for Licensure, Certification & Recognition.

**APRN Licensure Requirement**

(i) Applicant shall:

(A) Meet qualifications for RN licensure by examination or endorsement;
(B) Graduate from a graduate or post-graduate level advanced practice nurse educational program;
(C) Complete a program of study in a role and population focus area of advanced practice registered nursing; and
(D) Successfully pass a national certification examination.


**APRN Prescriptive Authority**

(i) Applicant shall:

(B) Submit evidence of completion of coursework in pharmacology and clinical management of drug therapy within the five (5) year period immediately before the date of application, specifically:

(I) Two (2) semester credit hours, or
(II) Three (3) quarter credit hours, or
(III) Thirty (30) contact hours of coursework.

**RN/LPN Licensure Requirement**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Graduate from a state board-approved nursing RN or LPN education Program; and
   (D) Successfully pass the NCLEX specific to RN or LPN education program.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 2(b)(i)(A) and (D) (Dec. 2013).*

**LPN IV Therapy**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Meet qualifications for LPN licensure by examination or endorsement; and
   (B) Complete a state Board-approved LPN IV basic or advanced course.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 4(b)(i)(A) and (B) (Dec. 2013).*

**CNA Certification Requirement**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Graduate from a state board-approved CNA training and competency evaluation program; and
   (D) Successfully pass the NATCEP.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 2(c)(i)(A) and (D) (Dec. 2013).*

**CNA II**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Meet qualifications for CNA by examination, endorsement or deeming; and
   (B) Complete a Board-approved CNA II training and competency evaluation program.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 4(d)(i)(A) and (B) (Dec. 2013).*

**MA-C**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Meet qualifications for State CNA II certification;
   (B) Complete a Board-approved MA-C training and competency evaluation program; and
   (C) Successfully pass a MA-C examination.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 4(c)(i)(A)-(C) (Dec. 2013).*

**Home Health Aide**
(i) Applicant shall:
   (A) Meet qualifications for CNA by examination, endorsement, or deeming; and
   (B) Complete a Board-approved Home Health Assistant training and competency evaluation program.

*Rules Wyo. Dept. of Admin. & Info., Bd. of Nursing, Ch. 2, § 4(e)(i)(A) and (B) (Dec. 2013).*