

Medication				
<u>Category</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Opinion</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Interested Party</u>
medication administration	Mediset-Filling metaset	Repackaging dispensed medications is "administration", and within the scope of traditional nursing practice, including LPNs.	August-98 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	
medication administration	Medications Crushing, measuring and calculating medications	Crushing, measuring and calculating medications cannot be delegated. Reaffirming conclusion in 1993 position statement "Activities of Unlicensed Assistive Personnel" after a request from Pioneer's Home for board opinion. SEE REVISION OCTOBER 2004, 12 AAC 44.950-975. Measuring and calculating medications can not be delegated. Crushing of medications is acceptable after an RN verifies that a medication may be crushed with a pharmacist.	March-99 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Alaska Pioneer Homes
medication delivery	Delivery of prepackaged medications	Delivery of prepackaged medications is within the scope of practice of a registered nurse when a physician orders the medications. Decision based on the procedure presented by Central Peninsula General Hospital. SEE SEPTEMBER 2002.	June-99 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Central Peninsula General Hospital

medication delivery	Distribution of donated medications	Registered Nurse distribution of expired or donated prescription medication samples represents “dispensing” and is outside the scope of practice for Licensed Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses in Alaska. Memo to Board of Pharmacy, Board of Medicine, Board of Nursing Newsletter and other professional publications such as ANA Newsletter regarding RNs accepting and dispensing medication, including controlled substances.	June-05 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	
medication delivery	Emergency drugs	A Registered Nurse may carry emergency drugs that are properly labeled and administered with a doctor's order.	June-95 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	response to request from hospice
medication dispensing	Dispensing medications	Dispensing medications is not within the scope of practice of a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse in Alaska	March-95 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Alaska Native Medical Center
medication epi pen	Epi pen	Use of epi-pen by UAP is permitted in an emergency situation if staff is trained to use this as first aid. See 12 AAC 44.955 (a)(2-5).	September-05 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Sara Harvison, Division of Juvenile Justice
medication identification	RN identification of medications	It is outside the scope of practice for a RN or LPN to identify unlabeled medications.	October-09 Revised 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Alaska Division of Corrections
medication IV	External Jugular Vein IV Catheter Insertion	This is a peripheral IV site and within the scope of practice for Registered Nurse insertion with the proper training.	June-07 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Dr. Kevin DelDuca, MatSu Regional Hospital

medication prescribing	Prescribing for self or family	The Board finds that 12 AAC 44.770(10) requires a professional relationship, exemplified by a written client encounter which documents problem identified and interventions prescribed. Further, 12 AAC 44.770 (27) specifies that the activity must be within the APRNs scope of practice.	April-09 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Revised Nov. 2022	pharmacist
medication refills	PRESCRIPTIONS- call in refill of prescriptions, deliver to patient	Certified nurse aides are acting outside their roles and responsibilities by calling in a refill of a prescription order and delivering medications to patients.	Jun-99 Revised July 2014 Re-approved Jan 2017 Renewed Nov. 2022	Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation
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