

LPN Scope of Practice Regarding TB Mantoux Skin Testing

The Nevada State Board of Nursing finds that it is within the scope of practice of a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) who is educationally prepared and properly trained per NAC 632.232 and NAC 632.242 to administer a tuberculin skin test, collect data and perform a focused assessment of the result.

The focused assessment is limited to documentation of the skin test location, reaction, diameter of the indurated area, timing of the TB skin test administration, reading and reporting.

The educationally prepared and properly trained LPN must:

- Complete a comprehensive program of study consistent with the Centers of Disease Control & Prevention's Core Curriculum addressing the knowledge and skills for proper storage, administration, documentation and assessment related to TB Mantoux skin testing.
- Follow applicable written procedures and policies approved by medical staff and the nursing administration of the employing agency.

References:

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