

Alaska State Board of Nursing
Licensing Advisory Opinions

Explanatory Statement about Advisory Opinions

An advisory opinion adopted by the Alaska Board of Nursing 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 the Alaska Board of Nursing regarding the practice of nursing as it relates to the health and safety of the Alaska healthcare consumer. Facility policies may restrict practice further in their setting and/or require additional expectations related to competency, validation, training and supervision to assure safety of their patient.

Topic	Opinion	Date
NCLEX pass rates	Board of Nursing set the NCLEX pass rate at 80% based on year end figures published by National Council of State Boards of Nursing. This will apply to "first time candidates" and be enforced beginning March 2005.	March-05
NCLEX-PN taken by RN educated candidates who have failed NCLEX-RN Exam	Board drafts regulation language to allow applicant who has failed NCLEX-Registered Nurse and has passed the NCLEX-PN along with a LPN scope of practice course, to be licensed as an LPN.	April-09

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