Examples, FAQs, & Additional Guidance for Kentucky Board of Nursing RN/LPN Scope of Practice Comparison Chart

Collaborating

The LPN participates in collaborative activities. Collaboration is defined as coordinating, planning, and implementing nursing care; participation in interdisciplinary decision-making, and seeking and utilizing appropriate resources.

The LPN's scope of practice in collaboration with patient care should include:

- Participating in planning and implementing nursing or multidisciplinary approaches for the patient's care;
- Seeking and utilizing appropriate resources in the referral process; and
- Safeguarding the confidentiality of patient information and records.
- Example: The LPN discusses the conversation with the APRN and the RN, and they collaborate to revise the plan of care, incorporating the new order. The LPN inputs an NPO diet order and notifies dietary of the change. The LPN discusses vital sign assessment with the UAP and orders for bed rest with assistance to the bathroom.