

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

Evaluation

Evaluation consists of participation with the RN in determining the extent to which desired outcomes of nursing care are being met, and then subsequently planning for continued care. Components of evaluation by the LPN should include:

- Collecting evaluative data from relevant sources according to written facility guidelines, policies, and forms;
- Recognizing the effectiveness of nursing actions; and
- Proposing modifications to be a plan/strategy of care for review by the RN or other person(s) authorized by law to prescribe such a plan.

➤ **Example:** During assessment, the LPN notes the patient is diaphoretic, assesses vital signs and pain scale, and notes the patient's O2 is 92% on 3L via nasal cannula and proceeds to increase O2 to 5L. The patient continues to rate pain at an 8 on the numeric pain scale, but is no longer diaphoretic. Both the LPN, RN, and APRN have reviewed the EKG and ruled out a STEMI or acute cardiac concerns. The LPN assists the RN with ongoing evaluation and revision to plan of care.