


**“Scope of Practice  
In Relation To Billable Services”**

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The RN and LVN are both responsible  
for knowing the Nurse Practice Act.

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**Objective For This Session**

- Clarification of Roles: RN vs. LVN
- Empower the Nurse
- Make Logical Decisions
- Practice sound nursing process in delivery of nursing care
- Increase confidence through knowledge of RN & LVN Scope of Practice guidelines
- Apply & Understand Billable Guidelines
- Utilize Professional Practice Standards in documenting BG's

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**Scenario # 1**

- New admission to your agency
- Initial Assessment Required
  - RN or LVN Responsibility?
  - Any tasks the RN & LVN can share and assist one another with?

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### Scenario #2

- DC staff calls after hours and reaches LVN.
- DC staff states routine med. not delivered from pharmacy & consumer may miss a dose.
  - RN or LVN Responsibility/Task?
  - What measures should be in place to ensure clarification for both the RN & LVN in handling this type of issue?
  - If provider doesn't participate in LVN On-Call Pilot, how would this affect the Nursing Scope of Practice?

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### Scenario #3

- On-Call RN receives phone call stating consumer fell and sustained a small hematoma on the top of head, swollen lip which is bleeding.
- Bleeding subsided after DC staff applied ice and first aid measures.
  - RN or LVN Responsibility/Role?
  - How can LVN assist the RN in caring for this person and remain within scope of practice?
  - Who /what determines acceptable time frame for evaluation of consumer?

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### Scenario #4

- Consumer exhibits low pulse & edema.
- New diagnosis of Bradycardia.
- Labs were abnormal and potassium slightly decreased/sodium elevated.
  - Who's responsibility is it to reassess the consumer after a change in condition?
  - Who updates Nursing Service Plan?
  - What tasks can the RN & LVN share in assuring the consumer meets the new goals of care plan?

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### Scenario #5

- Consumer has
  - 10 hrs of RN service
  - 20 hours of LVN Service
- Needs annual physical, dental f/u.
- Both RN & LVN are unclear if this client has missed any other appts.
  - Which nurse may assume this role of tracking appts., referrals, f/u's?
  - Which nurse is responsible for assuring appts. completed?
    - What are different ways LVN's & RN's can work together
    - What is RN's responsibility of insuring inservices/training on admin. of new med.

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### HCS Billable Services & Scope of Practice

- Billing Guidelines divided into 4 types of NU
  - NUR
  - NUL
  - NURS
  - NULS
- \*\*Billable services for each section are in conjunction with Scope of practice in the Nurse Practice Act.

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### (HCS) RN Billable Services

- F/F
  - RN Nursing Assessment (Initial/Annual Review) & Other Assessments PRN
  - Preparing Meds., Admin Meds. or Observing Admin of Meds.
  - Training/Inservicing
- Telephone
  - Assessments, Inservicing/Training, Relaying Info., Triage
- Video Conferencing
  - Assessment of health status, observation of admin of med.,
- Talking to Pharmacy, Medicaid or other Ins. Company
- Checking Meds. for Accuracy-
  - when receiving meds. from pharmacy, med. error noted, or labs not WNL (therapeutic)
- Reviewing Documents for-
  - development of training, evaluate effectiveness of quality of care, completing RN Assessment

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- (HCS) LVN Billable Services**
- F/F
    - Focused Assessments as needed
    - Preparing Meds., Admin Meds. or Observing Admin of Meds.
    - Training/Inservicing
  - Telephone
    - Inservicing/Training, Relaying Info. to parents from physician or supervising RN
    - Assessment /triage only if part of LVN On-Call Pilot
  - Video Conferencing
    - Assessment of health status, observation of admin of med.,
  - Talking to Pharmacy, Medicaid or other Ins. Company
  - Checking Meds. for Accuracy-
    - when receiving meds. from pharmacy, med. error noted, or labs not WNL (therapeutic)
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