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QUESTION: Is it in the scope of practice for a licensed nurse to be responsible for marking the surgical site for correct procedure verification?

The Board of Nursing has determined that it is NOT in the scope of practice for the licensed nurse, with the exception of the registered nurse enterostomal therapist, to be responsible for marking the surgical site for correct procedure verification.

This statement is an advisory opinion of the Board of Nursing as to what constitutes competent and safe nursing practice.