DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND HOSPITALS ADMINISTRATIVE BULLETIN 3:04

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SUBJECT: Approval for the Licensed Practical

Nurse to Carry the Narcotic Key

Applicability: H

The Commissioner of Health, pursuant to authority granted under N.J.S.A. 26:2H-12 et seq., with the approval of the Health Care Administration Board and in accordance with applicable provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, adopted revisions on January 21, 1976 to N.J.A.C. 8:43B-10.2 concerning the Manual of Standards for Hospital Facilities. These revisions became effective on February 1, 1976.

As a result, the Division of Mental Health and Hospitals is authorized to grant approval for qualified * licensed practical nurses to assume accountability for the narcotic key. The purpose of this Administrative Bulletin is, therefore, to officially grant such approval.

* Under N.J.A.C. 8:43B-10.2 this means licensed practical nurses who have "undergone formal training in State approved programs in the administration of medication".

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