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To: Massachusetts Nursing and Professional Healthcare Organizations

From: Laurie Talarico, MS, RN, CNP Nursing Practice Coordinator

Re: Revised Advisory Ruling 9401: *The Role of the Licensed Nurse as Trainer or Consultant for the Department of Public Health Medication Administration Program*

At the June 8, 2016 Board of Registration in Nursing (Board) meeting, the Board revised Advisory Ruling (AR) 9401: *The Role of the Licensed Nurse as Trainer or Consultant for the Department of Public Health Medication Administration Program* to ensure compliance with current statutes, regulations and scope of practice standards.

The AR guides the practice of the registered nurse (RN) who is employed specifically to provide training, consultation or monitoring within the context of the MA Department of Public Health (DPH) Medication Administration Program (MAP). The AR also guides the practice of the licensed practical nurse (LPN) who is employed to provide training in accordance with approved MAP policies and procedures.

AR 9401: *The Role of the Licensed Nurse as Trainer or Consultant for the Department of Public Health Medication Administration Program* revisions:

- Add the "Nurse Monitor Role" to the existing RN roles of MAP training and consulting;
- Remove "as *Trainer or Consultant*" in the AR title;
- Includes standardized statement requiring licensee compliance with all nursing licensure and practice laws and regulations; and
- Add references:
 - 104 CMR 28.00: *Licensing and Operational Standards for Community Programs*
 - 105 CMR 700.000: *Implementation of M.G.L. c. 94C*
 - 115 CMR 5.00: *Standards to Promote Dignity*
 - *Medication Administration Program Policy Manual*

Please take a moment to review the entire [Advisory Ruling 9401](#).