**Delegation of Medications on Out-of-State Field Trips**

NASN’s Position Paper on Delegation (2010)

Nurse is responsible for knowing the scope of practice for nurses in the state they will be traveling into plus their home state

**Nurses are accountable to:**

* State laws, rules and regulations
* Employer/agency regulations
* Standards of professional school nursing practice, including those pertaining to

delegation (NASN, 2010)

**Areas of particular importance:**

* Delegation
* Medication administration
* Emergency care

NASN’s Executive Director, Donna Mazyck, met with NCSBN (July, 2012) and requested a clarification on medication administration for students on school trips that occur in states outside the student’ home state. NCSBN’s response was:

*“…the school nurse will need to contact the boards of nursing in the states where the field trips occur in order to determine the practice allowances for the licensed nurse related to delegation of nursing functions.”*

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing has a current listing of each state’s board of nursing contact information: [Click Here](https://www.ncsbn.org/contactbon.htm)