

Authority: [WAC 388.78A.2310, Intermittent Nursing Services](#)
[WAC 388.78A.2320, Intermittent nursing services systems](#)
[WAC 388.78A.2330, Tube feeding](#)
[RCW 18.79, Nursing Care](#)
[RCW 18.88A, Nursing Assistants](#)
[WAC 246.840, Practical and registered nursing](#)
[WAC 246.841, Nursing assistants](#)
[WAC 246.888, Medication assistance](#)

PURPOSE:

This policy outlines nursing services provided by Trouves Health Care facilities.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to nursing staff.

DEFINITIONS:

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA):

A nursing assistant who is certified under RCW 18.88A to assist in delivery of nursing or nursing-related activities to residents under the supervision of a Licensed Practical Nurse or Registered Nurse, within the scope of a CNA.

Licensed Practical Nurse {LPN}:

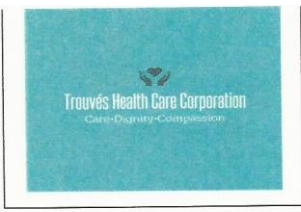
Licensed to perform nursing care under the direction of a registered nurse or physician. May administer drugs, treatments, tests, injections within the scope of licensed practical nurse.

Nurse Delegates:

A caregiver trained to complete tasks that would otherwise be handled by a nurse.

Registered Nurse (RN):

Licensed to perform nursing care, to individuals with illnesses, injuries or disabilities. Under the direction of a physician may administer medications, treatments, tests and inoculations within the scope of registered nursing practice.



POLICY:

- A. Trouves supports and promotes safe nursing practice for each resident in compliance with RCW 18.79 and WAC 246.840. These nursing practices include but are not limited to administration of drugs, treatments, tests, and injections.

- B. Nursing services are provided under the direction of the Director of Nursing (DON). During non-business hours this authority is delegated to the Nursing Shift Manager. In addition, the DON is available 24/7 by phone.

- C. Trouves also uses nurse delegation for specific tasks, under the direction of a nurse.

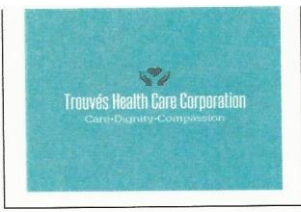
- D. Nursing services include initial and on-going assessment of each resident. They work closely with the service plan team including the physician to provide quality medical care to the residents.

- E. As a member of the service plan team, nursing interventions are a part of the negotiated service agreement, implemented and updated as needed.

- F. Nursing services may include:
 - 1. Medication administration;
 - 2. Administration of health treatments;
 - 3. Diabetic management;
 - 4. Non routine ostomy care;
 - 5. Tube feeding in compliance with WAC 388.78A.2330.

- G. Nursing treatments are documented on the Nursing Treatment Form and initialed by the nurse providing the treatment.

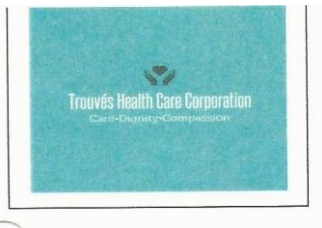
- H. All nursing services including nursing supervision, assessments and delegations are provided in accordance with applicable statutes and rules,



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including but not limited to:

1. Chapter [18.79](#) RCW, Nursing care;
2. Chapter [18.88A](#) RCW, Nursing assistants;
3. Chapter [246-840](#) WAC, Practical and registered nursing;
4. Chapter [246-841](#) WAC, Nursing assistants; and
5. Chapter [246-888](#) WAC, Medication assistance.



TITLE:

NURSING SERVICES

POLICY 28.02

EXCEPTIONS:

No exceptions to this policy may be granted without the prior written approval of the Director.

SUPERCEDES:

None