7.1-1 Medi Spa Practice Inquiry

*Discussion:* Directors have recently received several correspondences related to the scope of practice for registered nurses (RN) working in Medi (medical) spas. Directors are in the process of reviewing a scope of practice decision-making framework which was formally completed and submitted to the board office by a concerned citizen. The board considered the following queries: level of training/certification of RNs performing the injections; use of protocols; the prescribing, dosing, ordering, and dispensing of the pharmaceuticals in the spas; the practitioner/prescriber supervision; oversight of the Medi Spa facilities in the state. Directors described discussions with several state Boards regarding public safety concerns related to RN’s role in medical spas and aesthetic-related procedures and/or injections. Directors reported variations in rules and practice statements among states in respects to medical directors/prescriber supervision during the RN performance of these treatments. The board reviewed practice statements from SD Board of Nursing, as well as the board's current practice statement “*Aesthetic Cosmetic and Dermatological Procedures by Licensed Nurses*”. The board instructed directors to add the discussion to the upcoming ND Tri-Regulator Council meeting, as this is may be a pharmacy and medical concern as well. The board requested directors further review the board’s current practice statement. Directors to provide update to the Board in January.