

VERMONT STATE BOARD OF NURSING

**JOINT STATEMENT OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE AND NURSING
REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS BY
REGISTERED NURSES**

On June 5, 1991, duly appointed committees of the Board of Medical Practice and Board of Nursing met to discuss administration of non-prescription medications by registered nurses. As a result of those discussions and in accord with 26 V.S.A. §1572(E) and 26 V.S.A. §1311, the following joint statement was approved at regularly scheduled meetings of the respective Boards:

While providing nursing care, the utilization of non-prescription medications is within the scope of practice of the registered nurse.

Susan Spaulding, Chair
For the Board of Medical Practice

Jane Campbell, RN, M.Ed.
For the Board of Nursing

**Approved by the Board of Medical Practice on July 3, 1991
Approved by the Board of Nursing on July 8, 1991**