

**CHAPTER 6321**  
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**6321.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The definitions in this part apply to Minnesota Statutes, sections 148.171 to 148.285.

Subp. 2. **Monitoring.** "Monitoring" means the periodic inspection by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse of a directed function or activity and includes watching during performance, checking, and tracking progress, updating a supervisor of progress or accomplishment by the person monitored, and contacting a supervisor as needed for direction and consultation.

Subp. 3. **Supervision.** "Supervision" means the guidance by a registered nurse for the accomplishment of a function or activity. The guidance consists of the activities included in monitoring as well as establishing the initial direction, delegating, setting expectations, directing activities and courses of action, critical watching, overseeing, evaluating, and changing a course of action.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 148.191; 148.231*

**History:** *15 SR 838*

**6321.0200 POLICY.**

Nothing in this chapter is intended to limit the ability of licensed practical nurses to function according to the provisions of the Nurse Practice Act, Minnesota Statutes, sections 148.171 to 148.285.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 148.191; 148.231*

**History:** *15 SR 838*

**6321.0500 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS.**

Subpart 1. **Institutions.** The reporting required of institutions in Minnesota Statutes, section 148.263, subdivision 2, is interpreted to include resignation in lieu of discharge, discharge, suspension, or other forms of discipline of a nurse for failure to carry out the responsibilities of a nurse. Examples of actions to be reported include but are not limited to dismissal of probationary employees, suspensions other than investigatory suspensions, restrictions or limitations of a nurses's practice, demotion, and discharge from employment.

Subp. 2. **Licensed professionals.** The reporting required of licensed professionals in Minnesota Statutes, section 148.263, subdivision 3, is interpreted to exclude the professional knowledge obtained in the course of a health professional-client relationship when the client is a nurse and the health professional successfully counsels the nurse to limit or withdraw from practice to the extent required by the impairment.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 148.191; 148.231*

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