

2. DELEGATED MEDICAL FUNCTIONS; AND

(V) PERFORMING ANY ADDITIONAL ACTS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD UNDER § 7-205 OF THIS TITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 43, § 291(b).

The definition is stated in the infinitive form to permit minor verb variations of the defined phrase without taking these variations out of the scope of the definition.

In the introductory clause of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the term "or" is substituted for the term "and" in the phrase "biological, physiological, behavioral, and sociological science" to clarify that an act in the practice of registered nursing may be based on the principles of any one or any combination of these sciences.

The reference in present Art. 43, § 291(b)(1)(ii) to additional acts now appears in § 7-205 of this title.

(I) REGISTERED NURSE.

"REGISTERED NURSE" MEANS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES OTHERWISE, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD TO PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid needless repetition of phrases such as "individual licensed to practice registered nursing".

On occasion, the term "licensee" is used in this title as a synonym for "registered nurse". Since "license" is defined in subsection (c) of this section, "licensee" need not be defined separately.

The term "registered nurse" is a generic term used as a term of art in the health professions to describe an individual who practices registered nursing. However, after consultation with the Board, the Commission to Revise the Annotated Code decided to use the definition of "registered nurse" to mean an "individual who is licensed by the Board to practice registered nursing". While this approach differs from the approach used in most other licensing titles of this article, it does conform to the usage of the term "registered nurse" in the present law and by the Board.