



South Dakota Joint Board of Nursing and Medical and Osteopathic Examiners

Laser Use by Certified Nurse Practitioners (CNP), Certified Nurse Midwives (CNM), and Physician Assistants (PA)¹

The overlapping scope of medicine may include the use of lasers according to the following guidelines:

The CNP, CNM, and PA must have an approved collaborative or supervisory agreement on file with the Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners and/or the Board of Nursing.

Documentation made available upon request to support the following:

1. Successful completion of initial training conducted by a qualified practitioner/trainer skilled in the use of lasers.
2. Demonstration of competency through the performance of the laser procedures under the direct observation of the practitioner/trainer for each laser type.
3. Demonstration of continued competence through continuing education and ongoing performance of the laser procedures.

¹ Source: SDCL 36-4A; SDCL 36-9A; SDCL 36-4-8.2