**Scope of Practice Decision Tree**

The purpose of this diagram is to help you decide whether or not to perform a specific action.

1. Describe the act to be performed, then review the Scope of Practice for your licensure level.
   - RN
   - LPN
   - APRN

2. Does the Nurse Practice Act expressly permit or prohibit this act for the license you hold?
   - Unsue
   - Permitted (within scope for your license)
   - Prohibited

3. Is the act consistent with your scope of practice?
   - Yes
   - No

4. Do you personally possess the depth and breadth of knowledge to perform the act safely and effectively?
   - Yes
   - No

5. Do you personally possess current clinical skills to perform the act safely?
   - Yes
   - No

6. Is the performance of the act within the accepted standard of care?
   - Yes
   - No

7. Does the agency have a policy and procedure in place for this activity?
   - Yes
   - No

8. Are you prepared to accept the consequences of your action?
   - Yes
   - No

**Perform the act**

**Notify appropriate person(s).**