

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Rule No.: Med 14

Relating to: Renewal

Rule Type: Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only): N/A

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of the proposed rule is to update renewal requirements for licensure of physicians to align with current practice in the profession. The Board is specifically concerned with those physicians who have been out of practice and will consider requirements that apply to all renewal and reinstatement applicants when making changes.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

The Board intends to review and update Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter Med 14, entitled "Biennial Registration," to align renewal requirements with current practice in the profession. Currently, individuals who apply for renewal less than 5 years after their license expiration need to pay a renewal fee and complete continuing education requirements. Individuals who apply for renewal more than 5 years after their license expiration need to pass an open book examination on statutes and rules, and the Board will make an inquiry to determine if it application is competent to practice and may impose any limitations on reinstatement of the license. The Board would like to revise these requirements to include rules for those physicians who have been out of practice, as well as any other requirements they deem necessary to protect the public. An alternative would be to not revise the administrative code and existing renewal requirements would continue to apply.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats. states that "The Board shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession."

Section 448.40 (1), Stats., provides that "[t]he board may promulgate rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter, including rules requiring the completion of continuing education, professional development, and maintenance of certification or performance improvement or continuing medical education programs for renewal of a license to practice medicine and surgery."

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

Approximately 80 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Wisconsin licensed physicians and those applying for physician licensure reinstatement.

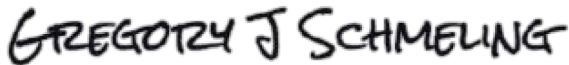
7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule: None.

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

The proposed rule will have minimal to no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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