# STATEMENT OF SCOPE

#### PODIATRY AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

Rule No.:	Pod 1 and 10
Relating to:	Podiatrists and Telehealth
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 create telehealth requirements for podiatrists in accordance with the statutory changes from 2021 Wisconsin Act 121.

### 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 update the administrative code to include requirements for podiatrists and the practice of telehealth, as well as bring it into alignment with 2021 Wisconsin Act 121. An alternative would be to not revise the administrative code to reflect these new requirements, which would create a lack of clarity for stakeholders as to what is required regarding podiatrist telehealth practice in Wisconsin.

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

Section 15.085 (5) (b), Stats., provides that an affiliated credentialing board "[s]hall 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 448.695 (2), Stats., provides that "the affiliated credentialing board may promulgate rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter."

## 5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule: 120 hours

**6.** List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule: Wisconsin licensed podiatrists, their employers, and their patients.

### 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 is likely to have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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