

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Updated <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected	2. Date December 14, 2023
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) Nat Med 1 to 10 (Permanent Rule)	
4. Subject Naturopathic doctors	
5. Fund Sources Affected <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEG-S	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected s.20.165(1)(hg)
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule <input type="checkbox"/> No Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply) <input type="checkbox"/> State's Economy <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Businesses/Sectors <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Units <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utility Rate Payers <input type="checkbox"/> Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$N/A	
10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule The objective of the proposed rules is to implement the statutory changes from 2021 Wisconsin Act 130, which created the Naturopathic Medicine Examining Board. The act allows for the licensure, discipline, and practice of naturopathic doctors and limited-scope naturopathic doctors. The board is creating all Administrative Code chapters necessary to establish provisions for the practice, licensing, and conduct of naturopathic doctors and limited-scope naturopathic doctors.	
12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments. The rule will be posted on the Department's website for 14 days to solicit public comment on economic impact, including how the proposed rules may affect businesses, local government units, and individuals.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA. None	
14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred) DSPS estimates a total of \$15,600 in one-time costs for staffing and an indeterminate one-time IT impact to implement the rule. The estimated need for 0.3 limited term employees (LTE) is attributed to the rule promulgation aspect required to implement the rule, including examination standards, continuing education, and renewal requirements, and the establishment of practice standards and ethical guidelines, as well as staff training and web and forms updates. The one-time estimated costs cannot be absorbed in the currently appropriated agency budget.	
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule The benefits of implementing this rule are the creation of the Naturopathic Medicine Examining Board chapters of the Administrative Code that aligns with the Wisconsin State Statutes. If these new rules are not implemented, the Naturopathic Medicine Examining Board will not be in compliance with the Statutes, which will create confusion and may adversely affect the ability of Naturopathic Doctors to fully practice in Wisconsin.	

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16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implications of implementing this rule is clear requirements for the licensure of naturopathic doctors and limited-scope naturopathic doctors in Wisconsin.

17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

N/A

18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

Illinois:

Naturopathic doctors are not currently licensed in the state of Illinois. Bills have been introduced in the state legislature to create laws that will allow the licensure of naturopathic doctors.

Iowa:

Iowa does not currently license naturopathic doctors. The state is currently working on advocacy initiatives to start bill projects that will allow for the licensure of naturopathic doctors.

Michigan:

Michigan does not currently license naturopathic doctors. The state is currently working on advocacy initiatives to start bill projects that will allow for the licensure of naturopathic doctors.

Minnesota:

Minnesota naturopathic doctors are regulated under the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice Registered Naturopathic Doctor Advisory Council. The Minnesota Statutes establish definitions, scope of practice, professional conduct, registration and continuing education requirements, renewal, and discipline for the practice of naturopathic medicine. [MN Stats. ch. 147E]

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
- Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes No
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