STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Medical Examining Board

Rule No.:	Med 13
Relating to:	Continuing Medical Education for Physicians
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 clarify that a physician's use of electronic continuing medical education tracking and reporting is permitted.

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 has identified the need for an update of its rules as identified above to ensure clarity and consistency with current methods for tracking and reporting continuing medical education. The alternative of not updating the rules would be less beneficial to affected entities.

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

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats., provides an examining board "[s]hall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains. . ."

Section 448.40 (1), Stats., provides that the Medical Examining 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:

80 hours

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

Wisconsin licensed physicians and providers of continuing medical education for physicians

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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