

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Medical Examining Board

Rule No.: Med 1

Relating to: Licenses to Practice Medicine and Surgery

Rule Type: Permanent

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

N/A

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

The Medical Examining Board will conduct a comprehensive evaluation and update of ch. Med 1 to ensure the rules are consistent with current professional, academic, examination, and licensing practices, and applicable Wisconsin statutes. Updates to other chapters of the Board's rules may also be necessary to reflect updates to ch. Med 1.

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:

Chapter Med 1 currently contains the rules of the Medical Examining Board governing application and examination for a license to practice medicine and surgery under s. 448.04 (1) (a), Stats. The Board has identified the need for a comprehensive evaluation and update of these rules to ensure they are consistent with current professional, academic, examination, and licensing practices, and applicable Wisconsin statutes.

The alternative of not conducting this evaluation and update would be to leave the rules unchanged, which may be less beneficial for individuals applying for a license to practice medicine and surgery under s. 448.04 (1) (a), Stats.

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

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

Section 448.05 (2) (a) 3., Stats., requires an applicant for any class of license to practice medicine and surgery to supply evidence satisfactory to the board "[t]hat the applicant satisfies any other requirement established by the board by rule for issuing the license."

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 :

70 hours

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

Applicants for a license to practice medicine and surgery under s. 448.04 (1) (a), Stats.

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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