

South Dakota Department of Health  
Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held at 101 N. Main Ave, in the First Dakota National Bank building in room 215, Sioux Falls, SD on September 8, 2016 , at 9:00 am CDT, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules numbered: §§ 20:62:01, 20:62:02, 20:62:03, 20:78, and 20:84. The public hearing will also be accessible via the Dakota Digital Network (DDN) at the following locations: CAP A, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD and the Rapid City Dept. of Transportation (DOT), 2300 Eglin St., Rapid City, SD.

The effect of the rules will be to improve the efficiency and operation of the joint boards of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners (BMOE) and Nursing (BON), to provide clarification to the licensing process, update collaboration requirements to improve access to care; to include reference to medical assistants in BMOE rule; and to create a new article covering medical assistants.

The reasons for adopting the proposed rules are to update the licensing process, remove restrictive language that is creating healthcare access barriers; to provide consistency regarding the regulation, discipline, and administration of medical assistants; and to provide clarity to the application requirements, licensing, and renewal of registration for medical assistants.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the BMOE, 101 N. Main Ave., Suite 301, Sioux Falls, SD 57104 or by email to [SDBMOE@state.sd.us](mailto:SDBMOE@state.sd.us), or to the BON, 4305 S. Louise Ave., Suite 201, Sioux Falls, SD 57106 or by email to [Gloria.Damgaard@state.sd.us](mailto:Gloria.Damgaard@state.sd.us). Material sent by mail must reach the BMOE or BON by September 3, 2016 to be considered.

After the hearing, the joint boards will consider all written and oral comments received on the proposed rules. The joint boards may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the BMOE or BON at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 367-7781 or (605) 362-2760.

Proposed rules text is available on the following websites: [www.sdbmoe.gov](http://www.sdbmoe.gov), <http://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/>, or [rules.sd.gov](http://rules.sd.gov). Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from either board at the addresses listed above.

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