

FORM 6

Department of Health Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in the Dr. Robert Hayes Building 1st Floor Conference Room, 600 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501, on September 9, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. CDT, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed Administrative Rules of South Dakota numbered

§§ 44:63:01:01, 44:63:02:01, 44:63:02:02, 44:63:03:01; 44:63:05:01.

The effect of the proposed rules is to update and clarify the Department of Health's waiver application requirements, including definitions, documentation order, acceptance procedures, and fee processing, to ensure submissions meet U.S. Department of State standards.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to align the Department of Health's waiver process with U.S. Department of State criteria by providing clearer requirements, removing outdated provisions, and improving consistency and efficiency in application review.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may appear in-person at the hearing, or mail or e-mail them to the South Dakota Department of Health, Office of Rural Health and Emergency Services, 600 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, or DeAnn.Sprenger@state.sd.us. The deadline to submit any such written comments for consideration is September 19, 2026.

After the written comment period, the Department of Health will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Department of Health may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

For Persons with Disabilities: This hearing will be located at a physically accessible place. Please contact the Department of Health at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements can be made by calling (605) 773-3361.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the following address, the Department of Health's website at doh.sd.gov/News, and/or rules.sd.gov:

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