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## **REQUEST FOR RULEMAKING (RFR)**

## 1. Department:

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

- **2. Bureau:** Bureau of Professional Licensing
- **3. Promulgation type:** Full Process
- **4. Title of proposed rule set:** Board of Nursing – General Rules
- **5. Rule numbers or rule set range of numbers:** R 338.10101 – R 338.10705
- 6. Estimated time frame:
  - 12 months

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## 7. Describe the general purpose of these rules, including any problems the changes are intended to address.

The purpose of the Board of Nursing Rules is to regulate the prelicensure education, licensure, specialty certification, licensure renewal, relicensure, continuing education for licensed nurses, and the nursing professional fund scholarship program.

The proposed rules are intended to: address the requirements to take the NCLEX examination; clarify the nursing education program requirements; modify the nurse professional fund scholarship program requirements; clarify continuing education requirements; and address licensure requirements.

## 8. Please cite the specific promulgation authority for the rules (i.e. department director, commission, board, etc.).

MCL 333.16145 authorizes the Board to promulgate rules necessary or appropriate to fulfill its functions as prescribed in the Article 15 of the Public Health Code.

## A. Please list all applicable statutory references (MCLs, Executive Orders, etc.).

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MCL 333.16148; MCL 333.16174; MCL 333.16178; MCL 333.16181; MCL 333.16182; MCL 333.16186; MCL 333.16201; MCL 333.16204; MCL 333.16205; MCL 333.16215; MCL 333.16287; MCL 333.17210; MCL 333.17213; MCL 333.17241; Executive Reorganization Order No. 1991-9, MCL 338.3501; Executive Reorganization Order No. 1996-2, MCL 445.2001; Executive Reorganization Order No. 2003-1, MCL 445.2011, and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2011-4, MCL 445.2030.

## B. Are the rules mandated by any applicable constitutional or statutory provision? If so, please explain.

Yes. MCL 333.16204 states that if a Board requires completion of continuing education as a condition for renewal, it shall require an appropriate number of hours or courses in pain and symptom management. MCL 333.16287 states that the department in consultation with the board, shall promulgate rules to implement sections 16284 and 16285. MCL 333.17210 states the that the board shall promulgate rules establishing the qualifications for the training and competency of the clinical nurse specialist.

## 9. Please describe the extent to which the rules conflict with or duplicate similar rules,

compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional, or federal level. Each state establishes its own requirements with respect to the licensing requirements of nursing, nursing educational programs, and nursing scholarships, so there is no federal rule or standard set by a national or state agency that the proposed rules can duplicate or be in conflict with.

#### 10. Is the subject matter of the rules currently contained in any guideline, handbook, manual, instructional bulletin, form with instructions, or operational memoranda?

No. The subject matter of the proposed rules is not currently contained in any guideline, handbook, manual, instructional bulletin, form with instructions, or operational memoranda.

## 11. Are the rules listed on the department's annual regulatory plan as rules to be processed for the current year?

Yes.

#### 12. Will the proposed rules be promulgated under Section 44 of the Administrative Procedures Act, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.244, or under the full rulemaking process? Full Process

## 13. Please describe the extent to which the rules exceed similar regulations, compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional, or federal level.

The proposed rules do not exceed similar regulations, compliance requirements, or other standards adopted at the state, regional, or federal level.

## 14. Do the rules incorporate the recommendations received from the public regarding any complaints or comments regarding the rules? If yes, please explain.

The Department will work with associations, related businesses, and lobbyists in preparing the proposed rules.

## 15. If amending an existing rule set, please provide the date of the last evaluation of the rules and the degree, if any, to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed the regulatory activity covered by the rules since the last evaluation.

The rules were promulgated April 6, 2020. There have been no technological factors, economic conditions or other factors that would necessitate amendment of the rules.

## 16. Are there any changes or developments since implementation that demonstrate there is no continued need for the rules, or any portion of the rules?

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No, there are no changes or developments since implementation of the rules that demonstrate there is no continued need for the rules, or any portion of the rules.

# 17. Is there an applicable decision record (as defined in MCL 24.203(6) and required by MCL 24.239(2))? If so, please attach the decision record.

Yes