Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Bureau of Professional Licensing Administrative Rules for Occupational Therapists - General Rules Rule Set 2021-85 LR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Tuesday, January 17, 2023 09:00 AM

Location: 611 W. Ottawa Street, UL-3, Lansing, Michigan 611 W. Ottawa Street, UL-3, Lansing, Michigan

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Occupational Therapists - General Rules rule set.

The proposed rules include the following modifications: provide definitions to terms and abbreviations that are used throughout the rule set; require an applicant for licensure to disclose each license, registration, or certification the applicant held in a health profession issued by another state, the US military, the federal government, or another country; require an applicant to satisfy MCL 333.16174 showing that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against him or her and that sanctions are not in force at the time of application to the state of Michigan; reformat the content of previous R 338.123a and R 338.1236 into charts; provide definitions for telehealth, telehealth service and telemedicine; provide the details a licensee must follow when utilizing telehealth; clarify when an applicant may request a waiver of the continuing education requirements; and add more acceptable providers of continuing education.

By authority conferred on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs in consultation with the Board of Occupational Therapists pursuant to MCL 333.16141, 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.16174, 333.16175, 333.16178, 333.16186, 333.16186a, 333.16204, 333.16205, 333.16215, 333.16287, 333.18307, 333.18309, 333.18313, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1991-9, 1996-2, 2003-1, and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 445.2001, 445.2011, and 445.2030.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 1/1/2023 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov.

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 1/17/2023 at 05:00PM.

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Professional Licensing

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Committees Section, Attention: Departmental Specialist

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 711- to make arrangements.