

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing  
Administrative Rules for Public Health Code – General Rules  
Rule Set 2021-74 LR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Monday, November 22, 2021  
09:00 AM

Ottawa Building, UL Conference Room C-4  
611 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Public Health Code – General Rules rule set.

Amendments will be made to the biennial and triennial license and registration renewal rules, and the date of renewal for occupational therapy, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, counseling, and social work will be changed to the date of the year when the licensee's initial license or the registrant's initial registration was issued. Amendments will be made to the rule providing the minimum English language standard to clarify that the International English Language Testing System Academic test and the Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-Based Test must be taken within 2 years of the date of application for licensure or registration because test scores cannot be verified after 2 years. The rule pertaining to the Stark Law will be updated, and the rule pertaining to implicit bias training will be revised to clarify that it applies to all applicants, including those for relicensure or reregistration.

By authority conferred on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs by MCL 333.16145, 333.16194, 333.16201, and 333.16221, 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](http://www.michigan.gov/ARD) and in the 11/15/2021 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](mailto: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 11/22/2021 at 05:00PM.

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Professional Licensing– Boards and Committees Section, Attention: Policy Analyst

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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.