LCB File No. R209-07

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

AUTHORITY: NRS 630.130, NAC 630.253

Changes in *italics*

NAC 630.153 is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 630.153 Continuing education: General requirements; exemption; failure to comply; credit for medical review. (NRS 630.130, 630.253)

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and NAC 630.157, each holder of a license to practice medicine shall, at the time of the biennial registration, submit to the Board by the final date set by the Board for submitting applications for biennial registration evidence, in such form as the Board requires, that he has completed 40 hours of continuing medical education during the preceding 2 years in one or more educational programs, 2 hours of which must be in medical ethics and 20 hours of which must be in the scope of practice or specialty of the holder of the license. Each educational program must:
- (a) Offer, upon successful completion of the program, a certificate of Category 1 credit as recognized by the American Medical Association to the holder of the license;
 - (b) Be approved by the Board; and
- (c) Be sponsored in whole or in part by an organization accredited or deemed to be an equivalent organization to offer such programs by the American Medical Association or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education.
- 2. Any holder of a license who has completed a full year of residency or fellowship in the United States or Canada any time during the period for biennial registration immediately preceding the submission of the application for biennial registration is exempt from the requirements set forth in subsection 1.
- 3. If the holder of a license fails to submit evidence of his completion of continuing medical education within the time and in the manner prescribed by subsection 1, his license will not be renewed. Such a person may not resume the practice of medicine unless, within 2 years after the end of the biennial period of registration, he:
- (a) Pays a fee to the Board which is twice the fee for biennial registration otherwise prescribed by subsection 1 of NRS 630.268;
- (b) Submits to the Board, in such form as it requires, evidence that he has completed 40 hours of Category 1 continuing medical education as recognized by the American Medical Association within the preceding 2 years; and
- (c) Is found by the Board to be otherwise qualified for active status pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and chapter 630 of NRS.
- 4. The Board may issue up to 20 hours of continuing medical education credit during a single biennial period to a holder of a license to practice medicine if the licensee performs a medical review for the Board. The hours issued by the Board:

- (a) May be credited against the 40 hours required for any single biennial registration period pursuant to subsection 1; and
- (b) Without exceeding the limit of 20 hours, must be equal to the actual time involved in performing the medical review.
- 5. The Board may issue up to 2 hours of continuing medical education credit for medical ethics credit during a single biennial period to a physician licensee member of the Board. One ethics credit will be granted to a physician licensee member of the Board for each 12 month period within the preceding licensing biennium the physician licensee member serves on the Board.

The hours issued by the Board:

(a) May be credited against the 2 ethics hours of medical ethics required for any single biennial registration period pursuant to subsection 1.