LCB File No. T050-03

PROPOSED TEMPORARY REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

NOTICE OF WORKSHOPS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON PROPOSED TEMPORARY REGULATIONS OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON PROPOSED TEMPORARY REGULATIONS OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners is proposing the adoption, amendment, and repeal of regulations pertaining to Chapter 630 of the Nevada Administrative Code. Two (2) Workshops have been set for the purpose of soliciting comments from interested persons on the adoption of the regulations.

The first workshop will be conducted, Tuesday, June 17, 2003, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be conducted on that date, at the offices of the Board at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada.

The second workshop will be conducted, Wednesday, June 18, 2003, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be conducted on that date, at the Sawyer State Office Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Room #4406, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The purpose of the workshops is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations pertaining to Chapter 630 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

After the workshops are conducted, and all interested persons have had the opportunity to appear and make comments on the proposed regulations;

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners will hold a telephone conference call at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 2003, or as soon thereafter as it may be heard on that date at the offices of the Board at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment, or repeal of the Regulations set out hereinafter pertaining to Chapter 630 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.060:

The proposed changed to Chapter 630 of the Administrative Code are the result of an initial review of older regulations and recent temporary regulations that are no longer necessary.

The proposed changes to Chapter 630 of the Nevada Administrative Code, are set out hereinafter.

The adoption, amendment, and repeal of these regulations will create no adverse economic effect on the public.

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners will not have additional costs incurred to administer the regulations adopted in these sections.

The proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of these regulations do not overlap or duplicate any regulations of other state or local agencies, nor do they overlap or duplicate a federal regulation, nor are they required pursuant to federal law. The proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of these regulations do not establish any new fee(s).

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of these regulations may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, P. O. Box 7238, Reno, Nevada 89510. Written submissions must be received by the Board on or before five (5) days prior to the date set for the hearing. If no person directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of these regulations will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulations to be adopted, amended, or repealed will be available at the offices of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada, and in all counties in which an office of the Board is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulations are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice of hearing has been posted at the following locations:

Washoe County Court House - Reno, Nevada Elko County Court House - Elko, Nevada Clark County Health Department - Las Vegas, Nevada Carson City Office of the State Attorney General

Carson City Public Library - Carson City, Nevada

Reno City Hall - Reno, Nevada
White Pine County Court House - Ely, Nevada
Las Vegas Office of the State Attorney General
Reno Office of the Nevada State Board of Medical
Examiners
Churchill County Public Library - Fallon, Nevada

Clark County Public Library - Las Vegas, Nevada Elko County Public Library - Elko, Nevada Eureka County Public Library - Eureka, Nevada

Lander County Public Library - Battle Mountain, Nevada Lyon County Public Library - Yerington, Nevada Nye County Public Library - Tonopah, Nevada Storey County Public Library - Virginia City, Nevada

DATED: This 1st day of June, 2003.

Douglas County Public Library - Minden, Nevada Esmeralda County Public Library - Goldfield, Nevada Humboldt County Public Library - Winnemucca, Nevada

Lincoln County Public Library - Pioche, Nevada Mineral County Public Library - Hawthorne, Nevada Pershing County Public Library - Lovelock, Nevada White Pine County Public Library - Ely, Nevada

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

CHERYL A. HUG-ENGLISH, M.D., President

LCB File No. T050-03

PROPOSED TEMPORARY REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

NAC CHAPTER 630

Explanation: Matter in *Italics* is new; matter in brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted

AUTHORITY: NRS 630.003, 630.130, 630.275, and 233B.040

Section 1. NAC Section 630.080 is amended to read as follows:

- 1. For the purposes of paragraph (e) of subsection 2 of NRS 630.160, an applicant for a license to practice medicine must pass:
- (a) A written examination concerning the statutes and regulations relating to the practice of medicine in this state; and
- (b) The Special Purpose Examination, unless within 10 years before the date of his application for a license to practice medicine in this state, the applicant has passed:
 - (1) Part III of the examination given by the National Board of Medical Examiners;
 - (2) Component II of the Federation Licensing Examination;
 - (3) Step III of the United States Medical Licensing Examination;
 - (4) All parts of the examination to become a licentiate of the Medical Council of Canada;
- (5) The examination for primary certification by a specialty board of the American Board of Medical Specialties and received primary certification from that board; or
 - (6) The Special Purpose Examination.
- 2. For any examination conducted by the board for a license to practice medicine, an applicant must answer correctly at least 75 percent of the questions propounded. The board will use the weighted average score of 75, as determined by the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc., to satisfy the required score of 75 percent for passage of the Special Purpose Examination on behalf of the board.
- 3. The board will authorize the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc., to administer the Special Purpose Examination or the United States Medical Licensing Examination on behalf of the board.
- [4. For purposes of subparagraph (3) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NRS 630.160, a person must:
- (a) Complete 1 year of postgraduate training before taking Step III of the United States Medical Licensing Examination and, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), is entitled to an unlimited number of attempts to pass that examination; and
- (b) Pass Steps I, II and III of the United States Medical Licensing Examination within 7 years after the date on which the person first [took step 1] passed any step of the United States Licensing Examination[.], or, within 10 years after the date after the date on which the person first passed any step of the United States Licensing Examination, if the applicant has obtained a MD/PhD degree in a program accredited by the liaison committee on medical education (LCME) and a regional university accrediting body.

These PhD. fields include but are not necessarily limited to anatomy, biochemistry, physiology, microbiology, pharmacology, pathology, genetics, neuroscience, and molecular biology. Fields explicitly not included are business, economics, ethics, history and other fields not directly related to biological science.

- 5. For the purposes of subparagraph (6) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NRS 630.130, a person must pass all the examinations in the combination of examinations approved by the board within 7 years after the date on which the person first [took] passed the initial examination in the combination of examinations.]
- [6] 4. An applicant for a license to practice medicine and a person who holds a license to practice medicine shall pay the reasonable costs of any examination required for licensure and any examination ordered pursuant to NRS 630.318.