PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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EXPLANATION - Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 630.130, 630.253 and 630.275.

A REGULATION relating to physician assistants; revising provisions governing the suspension and reinstatement of a license to practice; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 630.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:

630.350 1. The license of a physician assistant may be renewed biennially. The license will not be renewed unless the physician assistant provides satisfactory proof that the physician assistant has completed the following number of hours of continuing medical education as defined by the American Academy of Physician Assistants or has received a certificate documenting the completion of the following number of hours of Category 1 credits as recognized by the American Medical Association:

- (a) If licensed during the first 6 months of the biennial period of registration, 40 hours.
- (b) If licensed during the second 6 months of the biennial period of registration, 30 hours.
- (c) If licensed during the third 6 months of the biennial period of registration, 20 hours.
- (d) If licensed during the fourth 6 months of the biennial period of registration, 10 hours.
- 2. To allow for the renewal of a license to practice as a physician assistant by each person to whom a license was issued or renewed in the preceding renewal period, the Board will make such reasonable attempts as are practicable to:

- (a) Mail a renewal notice at least 60 days before the expiration of a license to practice as a physician assistant; and
- (b) Send a renewal application to a licensee at the last known address of the licensee on record with the Board.
- 3. If a licensee fails to pay the fee for biennial registration after it becomes due [,] or fails to submit proof that the licensee completed the number of hours of continuing medical education required by subsection 1, his or her license to practice in this State is automatically suspended. Within 2 years after the date the license is suspended, the holder may be reinstated to practice as a physician assistant if the holder:
- (a) Pays twice the amount of the current fee for biennial registration to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board; [and]
- (b) Submits proof that the holder completed the number of hours of continuing medical education required by subsection 1; and
 - (c) Is found to be in good standing and qualified pursuant to this chapter.