ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

LCB File No. R060-11

Effective May 30, 2012

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 630.130, 630.269 and 630.279.

A REGULATION relating to providers of health care; revising provisions governing investigations concerning practitioners of respiratory care and perfusionists who test positive for exposure to the human immunodeficiency virus; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 630.243 is hereby amended to read as follows:

630.243 If a committee conducting an investigation pursuant to NRS 630.311 becomes aware that the physician, [or] physician assistant, *practitioner of respiratory care or perfusionist* who is subject to the investigation has tested positive for exposure to the human immunodeficiency virus, the committee shall appoint a group of specialists in the fields of public health and infectious diseases who shall:

- 1. Review all the circumstances of the practice of the physician, [or] physician assistant [;], practitioner of respiratory care or perfusionist; and
- 2. Advise the committee, in accordance with the guidelines on "Health Care Workers Infected with HIV" established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, on the action, if any, the committee should take concerning the physician, [or] physician assistant [.], practitioner of respiratory care or perfusionist.

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INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of NRS 233B.066, the following informational statement is submitted:

DESCRIPTION OF HOW PUBLIC COMMENT WAS SOLICITED SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC RESPONSE EXPLANATION HOW OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY

How public comment was solicited:

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) published a Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulation to solicit comments on proposed changes to the regulation. The hearing was to be conducted in Reno on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m., at the Board office located at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada, and videoconferenced to the Las Vegas Board office located at 6010 S. Rainbow Blvd., Bldg. A., Suite 1, Las Vegas, Nevada.

In the notice the public was notified that a copy of the proposed regulation was on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart St., Carson City, Nevada; available at the offices of the Board at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada; in all counties in the state of Nevada in which the Board does not maintain an office, at the main public library; 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., as well as posted at the following locations:

Washoe County Courthouse
Carson City Library
Clark County District Library
Churchill County Library
Douglas County Library
Elko County Library
Esmeralda County Library
Humboldt County Library
Lander County Library
Lincoln County Library
Liprary
Lyon County Library
Mineral County Library
Tonopah Library
Pershing County Library
Storey County Library

White Pine County Library

Washoe County Library

Reno, Nevada
Carson City, Nevada
Las Vegas, Nevada
Fallon, Nevada
Minden, Nevada
Elko, Nevada
Goldfield, Nevada
Winnemucca, Nevada
White Pine, Nevada
Pioche, Nevada
Yerington, Nevada
Hawthorne, Nevada
Tonopah, Nevada
Lovelock, Nevada
Virginia City, Nevada

Ely, Nevada Reno, Nevada Attached hereto, and made a part hereof, are copies of certifications of posting from many of the above named.

Summary of the public response:

Only oral comment from Mr. Larry Matheis, as discussed below, was offered.

How other interested persons may obtain a copy of the public response to the regulations:

On file with the Board at the offices of the Board at 1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada, is a complete transcript of the hearing conducted on the regulation change.

Any member of the public may visit the offices of the Board and may review any or the entire transcript referred to above. Also, any member of the public may request copies of the transcript of all the public comment by contacting the court reporter and requesting a copy.

The court reporter may be contacted at:

Bonanza Reporting 1111 Forest Street Reno, Nevada 89509 (775) 786-7655

Persons who attended the workshop and hearing:

Larry Matheis from the Nevada State Medical Association attended the workshop.

Amber Joiner from the Nevada State Medical Association attended the hearing.

Persons who testified at the workshop or public hearing:

Mr. Larry Matheis offered limited testimony at the workshop, where he indicated agreement with all of the proposed regulations. He did ask that the Board attempt to ensure that in regards to R062-11, protocols are put in place by the Board to ensure that the proper parties within the entities being served receive the disciplinary finding or orders.

The number of persons who submitted written statements:

No written comment was received by the Board.

HOW COMMENT WAS SOLICITED FROM AFFECTED BUSINESSES, A SUMMARY OF THEIR RESPONSE, AND HOW INTERESTED PERSONS MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SUMMARY

The comments, conclusions, and information set out above and all information contained thereunder applies to this portion of the informational statement as well.

THE REGULATION WAS ADOPTED IN ENCLOSED FORM. THE ESTIMATED ECONOMIC EFFECT OF THE REGULATION ON THE BUSINESS WHICH THE BOARD REGULATES AND ON THE PUBLIC

The economic effect of the regulation on the medical profession:

There will be no economic effect to the medical profession by adoption of this regulation.

The economic effect of the regulation on the general public:

There will be no economic effect to the general public by adoption of this regulation.

THE ESTIMATED COST TO THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS TO ENFORCE THE PROPOSED REGULATION

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners estimates that there will be no additional cost to itself to enforce the proposed regulation.

THE REGULATION OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DOES NOT OVERLAP OR DUPLICATE ANY REGULATIONS OF ANY OTHER STATE OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

THE REGULATION OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DOES NOT INCLUDE PROVISIONS WHICH ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN A FEDERAL REGULATION WHICH REGULATES THE SAME ACTIVITY.

THE NEW REGULATION DOES NOT PROVIDE OR INVOLVE A NEW FEE.