

**LCB File No. R117-05**

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH**

**HOSPITALS**

These amendments were brought before the public during workshops held on April 28, 2005 in Las Vegas and on April 29, 2005 in Reno. It is planned that these regulation amendments will go before the State Board of Health for adoption during the October 14, 2005 meeting.

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

This is the only section being modified.

**Licensing and Administration**

**Section 1.** NAC 449.307 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**NAC 449.307 Applicability of license; liability coverage.** (NRS 449.037)

1. A hospital must be operated and conducted in the name designated on the license, with the name of the person responsible for its operation also appearing on the face of the license. The license is not transferable.

2. Each hospital must retain proof that it is adequately covered against liabilities resulting from claims incurred in the course of operation. ~~[Liability coverage must be verified at the time of the annual application.]~~

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, separate licenses are required for hospitals which are maintained on separate premises even though they are under the same management. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to outpatient departments, clinics or separate buildings on the same grounds.

4. A separate license is not required for the provision of special services within a hospital. This subsection does not relieve a hospital to which a special service is being added from the requirement of obtaining the approval of the Division to amend its license pursuant to NRS 449.087 before providing that service.

**SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**  
(Nevada Revised Statutes 233B.0608)

Proposed Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC)

**HOSPITALS**

**Background:**

The purpose of the proposed revised regulations for hospitals at NAC 449.307 will eliminate the need to submit certain documents for renewal of the license.

Interested individuals can obtain a copy of the information packet, including the Small Business Impact Questionnaire, sent to all licensed facilities, from Shirley Rains, Administrative Assistant IV, Bureau of Licensure and Certification, 1550 East College Parkway, Suite 158, Carson City, Nevada 89703

**1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

Pursuant to NRS 233B.0608 (2) (a), the BLC has requested input from operators of Hospitals.

A Small Business Impact Questionnaire was sent to hospitals along with written correspondence detailing the proposed amendments, including a copy of the proposed regulation changes, on { date }. The questions on the questionnaire were:

- 2) Will a specific regulation have an adverse economic effect upon your business?
- 3) Will the regulation(s) have any beneficial effect upon your business?
- 4) Do you anticipate any indirect adverse effects upon your business?
- 5) Do you anticipate any indirect beneficial effects upon your business?

The specific responses to these questions may be found in the attached document titled: “Small Business Impact Questionnaire Summary – Hospitals”. Below is a table indicating the number of responses.

Total Number of Responses:	1	
Q2- # having Direct Adverse Effect:	0	Economic Effect
Q3- # having Direct Beneficial Effect:	0	General Effect
Q4- # having Indirect Adverse Effect:	0	General Effect
Q5- # having Indirect Beneficial Effect:	0	General Effect

**2. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate including without limitation both adverse and beneficial effects and both direct and indirect effects.**

Striking the language at NAC 449.307 will have no adverse economic effect on hospitals because it actually eliminates requirements for documents to be submitted along with a renewal application.

**3. A description of the methods that BLC considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and statement regarding whether the agency actually used those methods.**

There is no anticipated negative impact on hospitals.

**4. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.**

There is no cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed amendments.

**5. Total amount BLC expects to collect from any fees and the manner in which the money will be used.**

No new fees will be collected pursuant to these revisions.

**6. An explanation of why any duplicative or more stringent provisions than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity are necessary.**

No duplication or more stringent provision are either created or already in existence.