

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Division of Public and Behavioral Health will hold a public workshop to consider amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 449.

The workshop will be conducted via videoconference beginning at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at the following locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E Carson City, NV 89701	Division of Public and Behavioral Health Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 4220 South Maryland Parkway, Suite 810, Building D Las Vegas, NV 89119
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These workshops will be conducted in accordance with NRS 241.020, Nevada’s Open Meeting Law.

AGENDA

1. Introduction of workshop process
2. Public comment on proposed amendments to Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 449
3. Public Comment

The proposed changes will revise Chapter 449 of the Nevada Administrative Code and are being proposed in accordance with NRS 449.0302.

The proposed regulations provide provisions for the following:

- 1) Requires that an obstetric center obtain and maintain current accreditation by a nationally recognized organization approved by the Division.
- 2) Requires the director to ensure staff and patients are adequately protected from fire or other disasters.
- 3) Requires that obstetric centers be constructed in accordance with the Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospitals and Outpatient Facilities published by the Facility Guidelines Institute.
- 4) Allows an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse licensed as a nurse midwife in Nevada to serve as the director of the obstetric center.
- 5) Requires the obstetric center to adopt nationally recognized infection control guidelines.
- 6) Requires an obstetric center to have a written agreement with at least one hospital capable of providing a higher level of obstetrical and neonatal care or to make a good faith effort to enter into a written agreement.
- 7) Requires an obstetric center to be located within a 30 minute normal driving time of a licensed hospital that provides obstetrical care.

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence may submit the material to Leticia Metherell, Health Facilities Inspection Manager at the following address:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, NV 89701
775-684-1073 (FAX)

Members of the public who require special accommodations or assistance at the workshops are required to notify Betsy Greenspan, Administrative Assistant, in writing to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E, Carson City, Nevada, 89701, or by calling (775) 684-1032 at least five (5) working days prior to the date of the public workshop.

You may contact Leticia Metherell, Health Facilities Inspection Manager by calling 775-684-1045 for further information on the proposed regulations.

A copy of the notice and the proposed regulations are on file for inspection and/or may be copied at the following locations during normal business hours:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, NV

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Suite 810, Bldg D
Las Vegas, NV

Nevada State Library and Archives
100 Stewart Street
Carson City, NV

A copy of the regulations and small business impact statement can be found on-line by going to:
http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/MedicalLabs/Notice_of_Public_Workshops_and_Proposed_Regulations/

A copy of this notice has been posted at the following locations:

1. Division of Public and Behavioral Health, 4150 Technology Way, First Floor Lobby, Carson City
2. Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City
3. Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson Street, Carson City
4. Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Las Vegas
5. Washoe County District Health Department, 9TH and Wells, Reno
6. Division of Public and Behavioral Health's web page: <http://dpbh.nv.gov/>
7. Nevada Legislature's web page: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/>

Copies may be obtained in person, by mail, or by calling (775) 684-1032.

Copies may also be obtained from any of the public libraries listed below:

Carson City Library
900 North Roop Street
Carson City, NV 89702

Churchill County Library
553 South Main Street
Fallon, NV 89406

Clark County District Library
833 Las Vegas Boulevard North
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Elko County Library
720 Court Street
Elko, NV 89801

Eureka Branch Library
210 South Monroe Street
Eureka, NV 89316-0283

Humboldt County Library
85 East 5th Street
Winnemucca, NV 89445-3095

Lincoln County Library
93 Maine Street
Pioche, NV 89043-0330

Mineral County Library
110 1st Street
Hawthorne, NV 89415-1390

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Avenue
Lovelock, NV 89419-0781

Tonopah Public Library
167 Central Street
Tonopah, NV 89049-0449

White Pine County Library
950 Campton Street
Ely, NV 89301-1965

Douglas County Library
1625 Library Lane
Minden, NV 89423

Esmeralda County Library
Corner of Crook and 4th Street
Goldfield, NV 89013-0484

Henderson District Public Library
280 South Water Street
Henderson, NV 89105

Lander County Library
625 South Broad Street
Battle Mountain, NV 89820-0141

Lyon County Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447-2399

Pahrump Library District
701 East Street
Pahrump, NV 89041-0578

Storey County Library
95 South R Street
Virginia City, NV 89440-0014

Washoe County Library
301 South Center Street
Reno, NV 89505-2151

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulations, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall 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.