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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION

Notice of Hearing for the Amendment of Regulations of the Board of Health

LCB File No. R105-22 relating to Emergency Medical Services background checks and fingerprinting.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Board of Health will hold a public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 450B of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Emergency Medical Services. This public hearing is to be held in conjunction with the State Board of Health meeting on September 1, 2023.

The State Board of Health meeting will be conducted at physical locations and via videoconference beginning at 9:00 am on September 1, 2023 at the following locations:

### Virtual Meeting Locations:

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Meeting ID: 236 129 451 619

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Phone Conference ID: 196 838 95#

Find local number: <https://dialin.teams.microsoft.com/1ef7fc5c-3859-4a06-ba30-c622c05e60f9?id=19683895>

### Physical Locations:

- Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD)  
Red Rock Trail Rooms A and B  
280 S. Decatur Boulevard; Las Vegas, Nevada 89107
- Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH)  
Hearing Room No. 303, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
4150 Technology Way; Carson City, Nevada 89706

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

1. The need for and purpose of the proposed changes to NAC Chapter 450B are to clarify the effect of criminal convictions on background checks and fingerprinting submissions as it relates to applications for licensure or certification under NRS Chapter 450B.

The proposed changes to NAC Chapter 450B clarify the following:

- Specific criminal convictions as defined that make an applicant ineligible for certification.
  - Required frequency of fingerprint submission to be in alignment with NRS 450B.800.
2. Anticipated effects on the business which NAC # 450B regulates:
    - A. *Adverse effects:* None. The proposed regulations will produce a negligible impact on small businesses.
    - B. *Beneficial:* None reported.
    - C. *Immediate:* None reported.
    - D. *Long-term:* None reported.
  3. Anticipated effects on the public:
    - A. *Adverse:* None.
    - B. *Beneficial:* None reported.
    - C. *Immediate:* None reported.
    - D. *Long-term:* None reported.
  4. The Division of Public and Behavioral Health determined there were no responses to the small business impact questionnaire.
  5. The estimated cost to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health for enforcement of the proposed regulations is estimated to be an initial fee of \$0 with an annual renewal fee of \$0.
  6. The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any other Nevada state or federal regulations.

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit any written testimony or documentary evidence must submit the material to the Board's Secretary, Cody Phinney, to be received no later than 5 days before meeting date at the following address:

Secretary, State Board of Health  
Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
4150 Technology Way, Suite 300  
Carson City, NV 89706  
[stateBOH@health.nv.gov](mailto:stateBOH@health.nv.gov)

Written comments, testimony, or documentary evidence will not be accepted at the time of the hearing. The purpose of this requirement is to allow Board members adequate time to review the documents.

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

Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
4150 Technology Way, Suite# 300  
Carson City, NV 89706

Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
4126 Technology Way, Suite# 100  
Carson City, NV 89706

Emergency Medical Systems- Elko Office  
1020 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite# 103  
Elko, NV 89801

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/HealthFacilities/State\\_of\\_Nevada\\_Health\\_Facility\\_Regulation\\_Public\\_Workshops/](http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/HealthFacilities/State_of_Nevada_Health_Facility_Regulation_Public_Workshops/)

A copy of the public hearing notice can also be found at Nevada Legislature's web page:  
<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/>

A copy of the public hearing notice can also be found at Board of Health's web page:  
[https://dpbh.nv.gov/Boards/BOH/Board\\_of\\_Health\\_\(BOH\)\\_-\\_home/](https://dpbh.nv.gov/Boards/BOH/Board_of_Health_(BOH)_-_home/)

Copies may be obtained in person, by mail, or by calling the Division of Public and Behavioral Health at:

1. Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health - 4150 Technology Way, First Floor Lobby, Carson City, NV 89701
2. Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health – 4126 Technology Way, Carson City, NV 89701
3. Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health – 1020 Ruby Vista Drive, Elko, NV 89801
4. Nevada State Library & Archives – 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701

Copies may also be obtained from the Nevada State Library at the address listed below:

Nevada State Library & Archives  
100 N. Stewart Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulation, 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.

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** August 10, 2023

**TO:** Dr. Jon Pennell, Chairperson  
State Board of Health

**FROM:** Cody Phinney, Secretary  
Administrator, Division of Public and Behavioral Health

**RE:** Consideration and Adoption of Proposed Regulation LCB File No. R105-22  
Amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 450B

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### *Purpose of Amendments*

The proposed addition/change of regulations to NAC 450B in LCB File No. R105-22 clarifies the effect of criminal convictions on background checks and fingerprint submissions.

### *Summary of Changes to the NAC*

The proposed addition/change of regulations to NAC 450B in LCB File No. R105-22 defines what criminal convictions make an applicant ineligible for certification and the required frequency of fingerprint submission to be in alignment with NRS 450B.800.

### *Possible Outcome if Proposed Amendment is not Approved*

NAC 450B regulations are to clarify which criminal convictions make an applicant ineligible and the frequency of fingerprint submission. If not approved, convicted criminals would be allowed to work as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics. This clarification to stop this potential from occurring.

### *Public Comment Received*

A Small Business Impact Questionnaire was sent to system users on June 23, 2022. A Small Business Impact Statement was prepared based upon the returned questionnaires. Staff has determined that there is no impact on small businesses in the state of Nevada.

Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) held a Public Workshop on October 25, 2022, to consider proposed regulations (LCB File No. R105-22). No one from the public attended.

*Staff Recommendation*

Staff recommends that the State Board of Health adopt the proposed amended regulations to NAC 450B in LCB File No. R105-22.

*Presenter*

Bobbie Sullivan, Program Manager, Emergency Medical Services, Bureau of Health Protection and Preparedness, Division of Public and Behavioral Health.

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

**LCB File No. R105-22**

June 30, 2023

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

AUTHORITY: §§ 1-6, NRS 450B.120.

A REGULATION relating to emergency medical services; revising the requirements for the issuance or renewal of a certificate as an emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

Existing law requires the State Board of Health to promulgate such regulations as it determines are necessary to administer the provisions of chapter 450B of NRS which govern emergency medical services. (NRS 450B.120) Existing regulations prescribe requirements for the certification of emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians and paramedics. (NAC 450B.355-450B.380) Existing law requires an applicant for such a certificate to furnish a set of the applicant’s fingerprints and written permission to forward those fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report. (NRS 450B.800) This regulation requires: (1) periodic submission of fingerprints after the initial issuance of such a certificate; and (2) as a condition for the issuance or renewal of such a certificate that the applicant satisfy the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services that the applicant has not been convicted of certain criminal offenses.

**Section 1.** NAC 450B.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.355 1. To be certified as an emergency medical responder, an applicant must:

(a) Be 16 years of age or older;

(b) Have successfully completed the national standard for emergency medical responders developed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation and approved by the Division;

(c) Maintain a certificate to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;

(d) Submit a statement indicating he or she has complied with the provisions of NRS 450B.183; ~~and~~

(e) Submit the appropriate form and the fee prescribed in NAC 450B.700 ~~H~~;

*(f) Submit the fingerprints and written permission required by NRS 450B.800; and*

*(g) Satisfy the Division that the applicant has not been convicted of:*

*(1) Murder, voluntary manslaughter or mayhem;*

*(2) Assault or battery with intent to kill or to commit sexual assault or mayhem;*

*(3) Sexual assault, statutory sexual seduction, incest, lewdness or indecent exposure, or any other sexually related crime;*

*(4) Abuse or neglect of a child or contributory delinquency;*

*(5) A violation of any federal or state law regulating the possession, distribution or use of any controlled substance or any dangerous drug as defined in chapter 454 of NRS, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application;*

*(6) Abuse, neglect, exploitation, isolation or abandonment of older persons or vulnerable persons, including, without limitation, a violation of any provision of NRS 200.5091 to 200.50995, inclusive, or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct;*

*(7) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of property, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application;*

*(8) Any other felony involving the use or threatened use of force or violence against the victim or the use of a firearm or other deadly weapon, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application; or*

*(9) Any felony or misdemeanor for committing an act which, in the judgment of the Division, indicates that the applicant may not be able to function properly as an emergency medical responder or to care for patients for whom he or she would become responsible.*

2. The applicant shall submit verification to the Division, signed by the person responsible for conducting the training, that the applicant has successfully completed the national standard specified in paragraph (b) of subsection 1.

3. Upon certification, an emergency medical responder may function within the scope of practice identified by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation in its publication designated “National EMS Scope of Practice Model” dated February 2007, which is hereby adopted by reference. A copy of the publication is available, free of charge, at the Internet address

**<http://www.ems.gov/education/EMSScope.pdf>**.

4. An initial certificate as an emergency medical responder is valid for not more than 2 years as determined by the Division and expires on the date appearing on the face of the certificate.

**Sec. 2.** NAC 450B.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:



450B.360 1. To be certified as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic, an applicant must:

- (a) Submit an application to the Division on a form prepared by it;
- (b) Maintain a certificate to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;
- (c) Submit a statement indicating compliance with the provisions of NRS 450B.183;
- (d) Submit proof that the applicant has successfully completed a course that is at least equivalent to the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation as a national standard for emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians or paramedics, as appropriate, or an equivalent standard approved by the Administrator of the Division;
- (e) Submit proof that the applicant has successfully passed an assessment developed by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians for emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians or paramedics, as appropriate; ~~and~~
- (f) Submit the fee prescribed in NAC 450B.700 ~~H~~;
- (g) Submit the fingerprints and written permission required by NRS 450B.800; and*
- (h) Satisfy the Division that the applicant has not been convicted of:*
  - (1) Murder, voluntary manslaughter or mayhem;*
  - (2) Assault or battery with intent to kill or to commit sexual assault or mayhem;*
  - (3) Sexual assault, statutory sexual seduction, incest, lewdness or indecent exposure, or any other sexually related crime;*
  - (4) Abuse or neglect of a child or contributory delinquency;*

*(5) A violation of any federal or state law regulating the possession, distribution or use of any controlled substance or any dangerous drug as defined in chapter 454 of NRS, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application;*

*(6) Abuse, neglect, exploitation, isolation or abandonment of older persons or vulnerable persons, including, without limitation, a violation of any provision of NRS 200.5091 to 200.50995, inclusive, or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct;*

*(7) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of property, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application;*

*(8) Any other felony involving the use or threatened use of force or violence against the victim or the use of a firearm or other deadly weapon, within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of application; or*

*(9) Any felony or misdemeanor for committing an act which, in the judgment of the Division, indicates that the applicant may not be able to function properly as an emergency medical responder or to care for patients for whom he or she would become responsible.*

2. An emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic who is registered by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, or its successor organization, shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of paragraph (b) of subsection 1.

3. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, to be certified as a paramedic, the applicant must maintain:

(a) A certificate to provide Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;

(b) A certificate to provide Pediatric Advanced Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division; and

(c) A certificate to provide International Trauma Life Support or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division.

4. The Division shall impose against any person serving as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic without a valid certificate issued pursuant to this section or subsection 8 of NRS 450B.160 an administrative penalty of:

- (a) For services provided on or after January 27, 2017, and before July 1, 2018, \$100;
- (b) For services provided on or after July 1, 2018, and before July 1, 2019, \$200; and
- (c) For services provided on or after July 1, 2019, \$300.

5. The Division shall impose against a service for whom any person serves as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic without a valid certificate issued in accordance with this section or subsection 8 of NRS 450B.160 an administrative penalty of:

- (a) For services provided on or after January 27, 2017, and before July 1, 2018, \$20;
- (b) For services provided on or after July 1, 2018, and before July 1, 2019, \$30; and
- (c) For services provided on or after July 1, 2019, \$50,

↪ per day for each such person.

**Sec. 3.** NAC 450B.363 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.363 1. The Division may issue a certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic to an applicant trained in another state if:

- (a) The applicant:
  - (1) Is a resident of Nevada;

(2) Will be a resident of Nevada within 6 months after applying for certification;

(3) Is a resident of another state and is employed by a service that has been issued a permit in Nevada; or

(4) Is attending a course of training held in this State and approved by the Division.

(b) The applicant submits the appropriate form and the fee prescribed in NAC 450B.700.

(c) The applicant:

(1) Has successfully completed training in a course approved by the appropriate authority in the other state, which course was at least equivalent to the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation as a national standard for emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians or paramedics, as appropriate, or an equivalent standard approved by the Administrator of the Division, has successfully passed an assessment developed by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians for emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians or paramedics, as appropriate, and holds a valid certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic or equivalent, as appropriate, issued by an authorized agency in the other state; or

(2) Holds a valid certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic, as appropriate, issued by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

(d) The applicant maintains a certificate to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division.

(e) The applicant submits ~~the~~ :

*(1) A statement indicating compliance with the provisions of NRS 450B.183.*

*(2) A signed and dated attestation that:*

*(I) The applicant underwent an investigation of his or her background within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of the application; and*

*(II) The applicant has not been convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 450B.360 within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of the application.*

(f) If the applicant is applying for a certificate as a paramedic, the applicant maintains:

(1) A certificate to provide Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;

(2) A certificate to provide Pediatric Advanced Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division; and

(3) A certificate to provide International Trauma Life Support or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division.

(g) The applicant's certification or registration with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians or in the other state has not been revoked, terminated or suspended pursuant to any disciplinary proceeding.

(h) The Division receives verification of the applicant's certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic or equivalent, as appropriate, from the issuing agency of the other state on a form provided by the Division.

2. The Division may require the applicant to:

(a) Demonstrate his or her practical skills.

(b) Pass a written examination approved by the Division in accordance with the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation.

*(c) In addition to the requirement prescribed by subparagraph (2) of paragraph (e) of subsection 1, provide other evidence that he or she has not been convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 450B.360 within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of the application.*

3. A certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic issued pursuant to this section must be renewed in accordance with the provisions of NAC 450B.380.

**Sec. 4.** NAC 450B.366 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.366 1. A certificate as an emergency medical responder expires on the date of expiration appearing on the certificate and, after the initial period, expires biennially. The Division shall designate the date of expiration of each certificate.

2. Such a certificate may be renewed if:

(a) The Division determines that the holder of the certificate ~~has~~:

*(1) Has*, before the date of expiration, successfully completed:

~~(1)~~ *(1)* A course in continuing training which is equivalent to the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation as a refresher course for emergency medical responders and approved by the Division; or

~~{(2)}~~ *(II)* Any other program of continuing education offered by a training center or approved by the Division. Such a program may not be approved unless the requirement for attendance for that program is at least 12 hours for renewal of certification ~~{+}~~; *and*

*(2) Has submitted the fingerprints and written permission required by NRS 450B.800 within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of the expiration of his or her certificate and he or she has not been convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (g) of subsection 1 of NAC 450B.355 within the 2 years immediately preceding the date of expiration of his or her certificate.*

(b) The holder submits, before the date the certificate expires, an application evidencing that he or she has met the requirements as set forth in paragraph (a).

**Sec. 5.** NAC 450B.375 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.375 1. If an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic is unable to renew his or her certificate when required, he or she must, if he or she wishes to renew the certificate, submit a request for a late renewal on a form provided by the Division.

2. Upon approval by the Division of a request for a late renewal, the applicant must submit

~~{evidence}~~:

*(a) Evidence* satisfactory to the Division ~~{of}~~:

~~—(a) Successfully meeting all of~~ *that the applicant meets* the requirements for ~~{the}~~ renewal ~~{of a certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic, as appropriate;~~

~~—(b) Verification of his or her skills;~~

~~—(c) Passing a written examination approved by the Division in accordance with the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation;~~

~~—(d) Submission of a statement indicating compliance with the provisions of NRS 450B.183;~~  
~~and~~

~~—(e) Payment of the appropriate fee prescribed in NAC 450B.700.]~~ *prescribed by subsection 4 of NAC 450B.380; and*

*(b) A signed and dated attestation that he or she has not been convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 450B.360 since the expiration of his or her certificate.*

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a late renewal may be authorized for the remainder of the new period of certification.

4. The Division shall deny an application for late renewal if more than 3 years have elapsed from the date of the expiration of the certificate.

**Sec. 6.** NAC 450B.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.380 1. A certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic expires on the date of expiration appearing on the certificate and, after the initial period, expires biennially. The Division shall designate the date of expiration of each certificate.

2. To maintain certification, a certified emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic must, within the 12 months before expiration of his or her certificate, complete at least one verification of his or her skills conducted by:

(a) The medical director of the service; or



(b) A qualified instructor approved by the Division.

3. In verifying the skills of an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic, the medical director or qualified instructor shall determine whether the emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic retains his or her skills in:

(a) Each technique for which certification has been issued and any applicable local protocols;  
and

(b) The administration of approved medications,

→ and enter that determination on a form provided by the Division.

4. To renew his or her certificate, an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic must:

(a) Meet the requirements for renewal of the certificate as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic, as appropriate;

(b) Successfully complete courses in continuing training which are equivalent to the national standard prepared by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the United States Department of Transportation as refresher courses for emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians or paramedics, as appropriate, are offered by a training center or approved by the Division and have, in total, a requirement of attendance of not less than:

(1) Twenty-four hours for the renewal of certification as an emergency medical technician;

(2) Thirty hours for the renewal of certification as an advanced emergency medical technician; or

(3) Forty hours for the renewal of certification as a paramedic;

- (c) Submit a statement indicating compliance with the provisions of NRS 450B.183;
  - (d) Maintain a certificate to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;
  - (e) *Have submitted the fingerprints and written permission required by NRS 450B.800 within the 6 years immediately preceding the date of the expiration of his or her certificate and he or she must not have been convicted of an offense listed in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 450B.360 within the 2 years immediately preceding the date of expiration of his or her certificate;*
  - (f) If renewing a certificate as a paramedic, maintain:
    - (1) A certificate to provide Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;
    - (2) A certificate to provide Pediatric Advanced Life Support issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division; and
    - (3) A certificate to provide International Trauma Life Support or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division;
  - ~~(g)~~ (g) Before the certificate expires, submit an application evidencing that he or she has met the requirements of this section; and
  - ~~(g)~~ (h) Pay the appropriate fee prescribed in NAC 450B.700.
5. An emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic who successfully completes a course described in subparagraph (1), (2) or (3) of paragraph ~~(e)~~ (f) of subsection 4 will receive credit for the course toward the continuing training required by paragraph (b) of subsection 4.

6. An emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic who successfully renews his or her certificate to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation issued by the American Heart Association or an equivalent certificate approved by the Division will receive 4 hours of credit toward the continuing training required by paragraph (b) of subsection 4.



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## SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT 2022

### *PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO NAC 450B*

The Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) has determined that the proposed amendments should not have any adverse effect upon a small business or negatively impact the formation, operation or expansion of a small business in Nevada.

A small business is defined in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 233B as a "business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time or part-time employees."

This small business impact statement is made pursuant to NRS 233B.0608 (3) and complies with the requirements of NRS 233B.0609. As required by NRS 233B.0608(3), this statement identifies the methods used by the agency in determining the impact of the proposed regulation on a small business in sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 below and provides the reasons for the conclusions of the agency in section 8 below followed by the certification by the person responsible for the agency.

### **Background**

- 1) The DPBH determined that existing Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 450B needed to be reviewed with regulation additions and changes proposed. The industry has changed dramatically in the past several years and some of the regulations required clarity or additional language to ensure a better service to the public while still protecting the integrity of the credentialing process of applicant. As the Emergency Medical Services identifies areas of concern, the regulations required additions and updates to help reduce the risks. Current industry standards, practices and requirements required regulations to be reviewed and changed to ensure the Emergency Medical Services could adhere to those standards, practices and requirements.
- 2) **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), DPBH has requested input from stakeholders, small businesses, and users of the Emergency Medical Services License Management System.



A Small Business Impact Questionnaire was sent to all users of the users of the Image Trend License Management system along with a copy of the proposed regulations on June 23, 2022.

The questions on the questionnaire were:

- 1) How many employees are currently employed by your business?
- 2) Will a specific regulation have an adverse economic effect upon your business? If so, please indicate the estimated dollar amount(s) you believe the adopted regulations will cost you over one calendar year with a brief explanation as to how the dollar amount was calculated.
- 3) Will the regulation(s) have any beneficial effect upon your business? If so, please include any cost savings you believe the adopted regulations will save you over one calendar year with an estimated dollar amount if applicable.
- 4) Do you anticipate any indirect adverse effects upon your business?
- 5) Do you anticipate any indirect beneficial effects upon your business?

**Summary of Response**

<b>Summary of Comments Received</b> <b>(0 responses were received out of 7,486 small business impact questionnaires distributed)</b>			
<b>Will a specific regulation have an adverse economic effect upon your business?</b>	<b>Will the regulation (s) have any beneficial effect upon your business?</b>	<b>Do you anticipate any indirect adverse effects upon your business?</b>	<b>Do you anticipate any indirect beneficial effects upon your business?</b>
0 – Yes	0 – Yes	0 – Yes	0 – Yes
0 - No	0 - No	0 - No	0 - No
0 - Unknown	0 - Unknown	0 - Unknown	0 - Unknown

**3) Describe the manner in which the analysis was conducted.**

There were no responses to analyze.

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

There is no estimated economic effect of the proposed regulations on small business.





**5) Provide a description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.**

The DPBH received zero (0) responses regarding the proposed regulations. A Public Workshop will be held on October 25, 2022, allowing for further input by the public and regulated community regarding the proposed regulations and the impact. These comments will be taken into consideration for possible further revisions to the regulations to reduce the economic impact on facilities.

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

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

**7) If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount DPBH expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

There are no fee increases.

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

At this time, there are no duplicative or more stringent provisions than federal, state or local standards.

**9) Provide a summary of the reasons for the conclusions of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.**

The agency concludes the proposed regulations will produce negligible impact on small businesses. These NAC 450B proposed regulation changes clarify certification requirements regarding criminal convictions.

Any other persons interested in obtaining a copy of the summary may e-mail, call, or mail in a request to Bobbie Sullivan at the Division of Public and Behavioral Health at:



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**Certification by Person Responsible for the Agency**

I, Lisa Sherych, Administrator of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health certify to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and the information contained in this statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

Signature  Cody Phinney signing on behalf of Lisa Sherych Date: 10/05/2022



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