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**BOARD OF LICENSURE IN MEDICINE**

2015-2016 Regulatory Agenda

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2015 - 2016 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**CHAPTER 1**: Rules and Regulations for Physicians

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S.A. §3269(1), (2), (3) & (7); §3271; §3280-A

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth licensure and renewal requirements for medical doctors. The proposed revisions to this chapter include clarifying the licensure, registration, notification and continuing medical education requirements for physicians and defining the duties of the Board Secretary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Applicants for licensure/renewal of licensure and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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**CHAPTER 2**: Physician Assistants

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S.A. §§ 3269(7) and 3270-A, B & C

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth rules regarding physician assistants supervised by allopathic physicians. The Board plans to propose a joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure to create uniform requirements for licensure, registration, scope of practice, supervision, notification and continuing medical education for physician assistants who are supervised by either allopathic or osteopathic physicians.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2015

AFFECTED PARTIES: Applicants for licensure/renewal of licensure and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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**CHAPTER 3**: Telemedicine Standards of Practice

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S.A. §3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: The proposed rule will establish standards for the practice of medicine using telemedicine.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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**CHAPTER 5**: Collaborative Drug Therapy Management

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S.A. §3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: The proposed joint rule with the Board of Pharmacy will define terms, set forth the application process, outline the minimum content required in a collaborative practice agreement and treatment protocol, and set forth provisions on recordkeeping, complaints, and reporting to the boards.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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**CHAPTER 6**: Professional Standards

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S.A. §3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: The Board may develop and propose a rule to define unprofessional conduct by physicians and physician assistants.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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**CHAPTER 21**: Use of Controlled Substances for Treatment of Pain

STATUTORY BASIS: Title 32 M.R.S.A. §§ 2562 and 3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure, the Board of Licensure in Medicine, The Board of Dental Examiners, the Board of Nursing, and the Board of Podiatric Medicine to insure adequate relief of pain to the citizens of Maine. Proposed revisions to this chapter include establishing a definition for “universal precautions.”

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

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