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**BOARD OF LICENSURE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE**

2017-2018 Regulatory Agenda

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AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **02-396**

AGENCY NAME: Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, **Board of Licensure of Podiatric Medicine**

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

**EXPECTED 2017-2018 RULEMAKING ACTIVITY**:

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

STATUTORY BASIS: Title 32 MRS §§ 3605-B, 3657

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure, the Board of Licensure in Medicine, 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 standards for proper pain management, including but not limited to, treatment plan, documentation and other "universal precautions" as well as continuing medical education for prescribing opioids.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: In process; anticipated completion 2018

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees, patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated