

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators
Statutory Authority: 24 Delaware Code, Section 5206(a)(1) (24 Del.C. §5206(a)(1))
24 DE Admin. Code 5200

GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE

5200 Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators

Pursuant to 24 Del.C. §5206(a)(1), the Delaware Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators ("Board") has proposed revisions to its Rules and Regulations. The Board proposes these amendments to advance its primary objective, which is to protect the general public, specifically those persons who are the direct recipients of nursing home administration services, regulated by 24 Del.C., Ch. 52, and its secondary objectives to maintain minimum standards of practitioner competency and to maintain certain standards in the delivery of services to the public.

Amendments are proposed to Regulation subsection 2.3 to clarify which examinations are required.

Amendments are proposed to Regulation subsections 5.1 and 7.4.1 to clarify the time frame during which continuing professional education must be completed.

Amendments are proposed to Regulation subsections 5.2 and 5.4 to strengthen the Board's biennial continuing professional education requirements by mandating course time in subject areas of patient abuse and neglect, infection prevention, and professional ethics. The Board is authorized specifically to establish by rule and regulation continuing education standards by 24 Del.C. §5206(a)(10).

Additional revisions reflect modern practices of the Division of Professional Regulation and others are technical and style changes consistent with the *Delaware Administrative Code Drafting and Style Manual*.

These amendments were published on page 109 of the August 1, 2024 issue of the *Delaware Register of Regulations* (28 DE Reg. 109 (8/1/24)). The Board planned to hold a hearing on September 10, 2024, at 12:00 p.m., but the hearing was cancelled. As a result, the Board will now a public hearing on November 12, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. in conference room B on the second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware. Anyone wishing to receive a copy of the proposed rules and regulations may obtain a copy from the Delaware Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware 19904. Persons wishing to submit written comments may forward these to the Board at the above address or to Tashana.Branch@delaware.gov.

In accordance with 29 Del.C. §10118(a), the final date to receive written comments will be November 27, 2024. The Board will deliberate on all the public comments at its regularly scheduled meeting thereafter.

28 DE Reg. 328 (10/01/24) (Gen. Notice)