

Administrative Rule Analysis



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Board of Dentistry – General Rules

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Agency: Bureau of Professional Licensing

Enabling Statute: Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145, MCL 333.16148, and MCL 333.16204

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BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES

Rule set 2015-090 LR amends, creates, and rescinds numerous rules related to the training, licensure, and relicensure of numerous categories of dental health professionals. The rule set also adopts the most recent standards for approving: dental schools, dental hygiene schools, and dental assisting schools; advanced training in anesthesia, pain control, intravenous and enteral sedation; credentialing in basic and advanced life support; and continuing education programs.

Pursuant to PA 343 of 2014, the rule set creates a requirement that applicants seeking initial licensure or license renewal would have to complete training in the identification of human trafficking victims.

The rule requiring specialty license (orthodontics, periodontics, and endodontics) applicants to pass a state specialty clinical examination is being rescinded. Applicants for specialty licenses would be required to graduate from an approved program in their field of specialty, and orthodontics applicants and endodontics applicants would be required to pass the American Board of Orthodontics written examination or the American Association of Endodontists written examination.

The rule set would allow registered dental assistants, registered dental hygienists, or dentists that allow their Michigan license to lapse to obtain a current license without re-taking a licensure examination, provided that the individual maintained an active license in another jurisdiction and completes the required continuing education.

Responding to the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management (ACPSM), the required continuing education relating to pain and symptom management would be increased from one hour to a minimum of three hours for dentists and two hours for registered dental assistants and registered dental hygienists.

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES

The rule requiring licensees to complete training in the identification of human trafficking victims would create minimal administrative costs for the department. Eliminating the state specialty licensing examinations for dental specialties is expected to result in significant savings for the department. In FY 2015 the department contracted the administration of the specialty examinations for \$80,000. Additional costs were incurred for administration and review of applicant examination scores. In FY 2015 the department collected between \$16,170 and \$22,770 in examination fees for the specialty

exams. Therefore, eliminating the state examinations would result in cost savings for the department. The rules regarding license renewal and continuing education would not create significant costs or savings for the department. Rule set 2015-090 LR would not have a significant fiscal impact on local units of government.

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