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**BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC LICENSURE**

2020 - 2021 Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: **02-297**

AGENCY NAME: Department of Professional & Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, **Board of Chiropractic Licensure**

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

**EXPECTED 2020-2021 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:** The Board will develop new rules for implementing 2019 Public Law Chapter 187 for licensing temporary chiropractic interns. The rule will include licensing requirements, supervision of chiropractic interns, level of professional liability insurance required. The Board may review, and update rules as needed, which may include, but is not limited to, updating the licensing requirements and procedures for chiropractors and chiropractic acupuncture, certification and training of chiropractic assistants, and licensure and training of temporary chiropractic assistant. Continuing education requirements and course approvals will be reviewed and updated as may be necessary, including national program and sponsor approval systems currently available. The Board may establish patient record standards and record keeping requirements, and may update the code of ethics in the practice of chiropractic services. Amendment of these requirements may affect several rule chapters and therefore may require updating those chapters. Review rules throughout for updates to the term “habitual substance abuse” to “habitual substance use” pursuant to Public Law 2017 Chapter 407.

**CHAPTER 1**: Definitions

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. § 502

PURPOSE: This chapter defines and clarifies terms used throughout the Board’s rules. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 2**: General Provisions

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. § 502

PURPOSE: The chapter contains provisions describing the conduct of meetings and hearings, acting on requests for advisory rulings, complaint and investigation procedures and record keeping. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

**CHAPTER 3-A**:Licensure Requirement for Chiropractic Doctors and Temporary Chiropractic Interns

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 502, 551, 552, and 564

PURPOSE: This chapter states the requirements for a chiropractor license and the professional liability insurance coverage for a temporary chiropractic intern.

The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: License chiropractor applicants and temporary chiropractic interns applicants

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 4**: Requirements for Certifying Chiropractors to Practice Chiropractic Acupuncture

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. § 502

PURPOSE: The chapter establishes acceptable qualifications, procedures and continuing education requirements for certifying licensed chiropractors in the practice of chiropractic acupuncture. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: License applicants and licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 5**: Certification Requirements for Chiropractic Assistants and the Issuance of Temporary Certificates for Chiropractic Assistants

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 502, 555, 556

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes requirements for issuance of a certificate to function as a certified chiropractic assistant, and the issuance of a temporary certificate to function as a certified chiropractic assistant. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 6**: Continuing Professional Education

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 502, 553-A(2)

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes requirements for continuing professional education to be completed by licensees for licensing renewal and approval for sponsored continuing education courses or programs. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with statutes and make updates as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 7**: Enforcement and Disciplinary Procedures

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. § 502

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes enforcement and disciplinary procedures, including grounds for discipline and clarification of terms. The Board may review this chapter for conformance with current statutes and make changes as needed.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 8**: Code of Ethics

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. § 502

PURPOSE: This chapter establishes standards of professional practice in the practice of chiropractic services. The Board may review this chapter and make changes to reflect current practice expectations for the protection of the public being served.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Within one year, if necessary.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.