

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF NURSING HOME
ADMINISTRATORS RULES: CHAPTER 393-5 RENEWAL AND
REINSTATEMENT PROCESS; SUBCHAPTER .03 REINSTATEMENT, AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board of Nursing Home Administrators (hereinafter "Board") proposes an amendment of the Georgia Board of Nursing Home Administrators, Chapter 393-5 Renewal And Reinstatement Process; Subchapter .03 Reinstatement (herein after "proposed rule amendment").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

A public hearing will be held by conference call at 10.00 a.m. on August 6, 2009 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment.

At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:00 P.M.) on July 30, 2009. Written comments should be addressed to Randall D. Vaughn, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia Board of Nursing Home Administrators, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Telephone (478) 207-2440 or fax (866) 888-7127.

The Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for adoption at a conference call meeting scheduled to begin at 10:15 a.m. on August 6, 2009 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia Board of Nursing Home Administrators has the authority to adopt the proposed rule amendment pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-27-4, 43-27-5, 43-27-6, 43-27-8 and 43-27-9.

At its meeting on June 25, 2009 the Georgia Board of Nursing Home Administrators voted that the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed chapter cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-27-4, 43-27-5, 43-27-6, 43-27-8 and 43-27-9.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-27-4, 43-27-5, 43-27-6, 43-27-8 and 43-27-9 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this chapter will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of nursing home administration. For further information, contact the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This 6th day of July, 2009.

Randall D. Vaughn
Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Posted: July 6, 2009

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
THE GEORGIA BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS
RULES: CHAPTER 393-5 RENEWAL AND REINSTATEMENT PROCESS;
SUBCHAPTER .03 REINSTATEMENT. AMENDED**

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed chapter amendment is to clarify the requirements for licensure reinstatement.

Main Feature: The main feature of the proposed chapter amendment is to clarify the reinstatement of a surrendered or revoked license due to expiration only, and to update the number of contact hours and Continuing Education Units required.

**THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE
THE GEORGIA BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS
RULES: CHAPTER 393-5 RENEWAL AND REINSTATEMENT PROCESS;
SUBCHAPTER .03 REINSTATEMENT. AMENDED**

Note: Underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.

393-5-.03 Reinstatement. Amended.

(1) Expired License.

(a) Failure to late renew an expired license within three (3) months of its expiration shall have the same effect as a surrender or revocation.

(b) Reinstatement shall be at the discretion of the Board.

(2) Reinstatement of Surrendered or Revoked License due to expiration only.

(a) Person applying for reinstatement on or after April 1 must submit one of the following:

1. Submit a completed reinstatement application to the Board showing that the person has:

(i) Retaken and passed the NAB Exam within one year of date of the application.

(ii) Obtained ~~70~~ 40 contact hours or ~~7.0~~ 4.0 CEUs directly related to the practice of Nursing Home Administrator within two years preceding the date of the application.

(iii) Paid the reinstatement fee as set by the Board, ~~OR:~~ or

(b) Submit a completed reinstatement application to the Board and show that the person has:

1. A current license from another state with equivalent standards to the current Georgia Act with the verification from the other state.

(i) Practiced for a period of at least two years preceding the date of the reinstatement application.

(ii) Obtained ~~70~~ 40 contact hours or ~~7.0~~ 4.0 CEUs directly related to the practice of Nursing Home Administrator within two years preceding the date of the application.

(iii) Pay the reinstatement fee.

(c) A surrendered or revoked license, due to other factors not related to allowing a license to expire, is subject to reinstatement at the discretion of the Board. The Board may restore or reissue a license and as a condition thereof may impose any disciplinary action.

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-27-4, 43-27-5 43-27-6, 43-27-8 and 43-27-9



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