

# Neuada State Board of Pharmacy

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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption and Amendment of Regulations of the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy

The Nevada State Board of Pharmacy will hold a Public Hearing at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2019, at the Hyatt Place, 1790 East Plumb Lane, Reno, Nevada. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption and amendment of regulations that pertain to Chapters 453 and/or 639 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.060:

Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 639.220: Schedule of fees. The proposed amendments to NAC 639.220 will increase the fees for the application for an initial registration, and the biennial renewal of a registration, as a registered pharmacist, pharmaceutical technician or pharmaceutical technician in training, or for authorization to prescribe or possess controlled substances, to cover the cost of maintaining the computerized program developed pursuant to NRS 453.162. (LCB File No. R034-19)

1. The need for and the purpose of the proposed regulation or amendment.

The proposed amendments to the Board's schedule of fees are necessary to eliminate a structural deficit in the Board's operating budget for the Nevada Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP), established in 1997 pursuant to the mandate of NRS 453.162. This structural deficit was identified by the Legislative Commission's Sunset Subcommittee during its 2017-18 Interim review of the Board. The fee increases apply to those licensees that are statutorily mandated to utilize the PMP.

2. Either the terms or the substance of the regulations to be adopted and amended.

A copy of the proposed regulation amendment is attached to this notice.

- 3. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public:
  - (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects.

There should be no adverse economic impact from this regulation amendment on the public.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects.

The Board anticipates that there will be no immediate or long-term economic effect on the public, or that any such effects will be negligible.

4. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

There will be no additional or special costs incurred by the Board of Pharmacy for enforcement of this regulation amendment.

5. A description of and citation to any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the notice must include the name of the regulating federal agency.

The Board of Pharmacy is not aware of any similar regulations of any other state or local governmental agency that the proposed regulation amendment overlaps or duplicates.

6. If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, a citation and description of the federal law.

The regulation is not required by federal law.

7. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

The Board of Pharmacy is not aware of any similar federal regulation amendments of the same activity in which the state regulation is more stringent.

Whether the proposed regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.

The proposed amendments will increase the fees for an initial registration, and the biennial renewal of a registration, as a registered pharmacist, pharmaceutical technician or pharmaceutical technician in training, or for authorization to prescribe or possess controlled substances, within the statutory limits of NRS 639.170.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Board may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy, 985 Damonte Ranch Parkway, Suite 206 – Reno, NV 89521, or at e-mail address: shunting@pharmacy.nv.gov. Written submissions must be received by the Board at least fourteen days before the scheduled public hearing. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Board may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation to be adopted and amended will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be adopted and amended will be available in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. The text of each regulation will include the entire text of any section of the Nevada Administrative Code which is

proposed for amendment or repeal. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice of hearing has been posted at the following locations:

Nevada State Board of Pharmacy Nevada State Board of Pharmacy

Reno, Nevada Las Vegas, Nevada

Mineral County Courthouse Elko County Courthouse

Hawthorne, Nevada Elko, Nevada

Washoe County Courthouse Reno, Nevada

### PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

#### STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

#### LCB File No. R034-19

August 2, 2019

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italies* is new; matter in brackets | emitted material is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 639.070 and 639.170.

A REGULATION relating to professions; increasing the fees charged by the State Board of Pharmacy for certain services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt regulations relating to the practice of pharmacy in this State. (NRS 639.070) Existing law requires the Board to charge and collect fees for certain services provided by the Board. (NRS 639.170) This regulation increases the fees charged and collected for certain services provided by the Board.

Section 1. NAC 639.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.220 1. The Board hereby adopts the following schedule of fees:

For the investigation, examination or registration of an applicant as a	
registered pharmacist by reciprocity	<del>[180]</del> <b>20</b> 0
For the investigation or issuance of an original license to conduct a	
retail pharmacy	500
For the biennial renewal of a license to conduct a retail pharmacy	500
For the investigation or issuance of an original license to conduct an	
institutional pharmacy	500
For the biennial renewal of a license to conduct an institutional	
pharmacy	500
For the investigation or issuance of an original license to conduct a	
pharmacy in a correctional institution	500
For the biennial renewal of a license to conduct a pharmacy in a	
correctional institution	500
For the issuance of an original or duplicate certificate of registration as	
a registered pharmacist	50
For the biennial renewal of registration as a registered pharmacist	<del>[180]</del> 200
For the reinstatement of a lapsed registration (in addition to the fees	
for renewal for the period of lapse)	100
For the initial registration of a pharmaceutical technician or	
pharmaceutical technician in training	1401 50

For the biennial renewal of registration of a pharmaceutical technician
or pharmaceutical technician in training
For the investigation or registration of an intern pharmacist40
For the biennial renewal of registration as an intern pharmacist40
For the investigation or registration of an advanced practice registered
nurse or a physician assistant to prescribe drugs that are not controlled
substances80
For the biennial renewal of registration of an advanced practice
registered nurse or a physician assistant to prescribe drugs that are not
controlled substances80
For authorization of a physician, advanced practice registered nurse,
physician assistant, euthanasia technician, ambulatory surgical center,
facility for treatment with narcotics, researcher, instructional user or
any other authorized person to prescribe or possess controlled
substances
For the biennial renewal of authorization of a physician, advanced
practice registered nurse, physician assistant, euthanasia technician,
ambulatory surgical center, facility for treatment with narcotics,
researcher, instructional user or any other authorized person to
prescribe or possess controlled substances

For the investigation or issuance of an original license to engage in
business as an authorized warehouse, medical products provider or
medical products wholesaler500
For the biennial renewal of a license to engage in business as an
authorized warehouse, medical products provider or medical products
wholesaler500
For the investigation or issuance of an original license to a
manufacturer or wholesaler500
For the biennial renewal of a license for a manufacturer or wholesaler500
For the reissuance of a license issued to a pharmacy, when no change
of ownership is involved, but the license must be reissued because of a
change in the information required thereon50
For authorization of a practitioner, other than a licensed veterinarian,
to dispense controlled substances or dangerous drugs, or both, for each
location where the practitioner will dispense controlled substances or
dangerous drugs, or both300
For the biennial renewal of authorization of a practitioner, other than a
licensed veterinarian, to dispense controlled substances or dangerous
drugs, or both, for each location where the practitioner will dispense
controlled substances or dangerous drugs, or both300

- 2. The penalty for failure to pay the renewal fee for any license, permit or certificate within the statutory period, as provided in subsection 6 of NRS 639.170, is 50 percent of the renewal fee for each period of delinquency in addition to the renewal fee for each period of delinquency.
- 3. Any person who has been registered as a pharmacist in this State for at least 50 years is not required to pay the fee for the biennial renewal of a certificate of registration as a registered pharmacist.
- 4. The provisions of this section concerning the fee for the biennial renewal of the authorization to dispense controlled substances or dangerous drugs do not apply to an advanced practice registered nurse who is required to pay a fee pursuant to NAC 639.870.
  - 5. A health center:
- (a) Which is a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(l)(2)(B), as that section existed on March 1, 2000, that provides health care primarily to medically underserved persons in a community; and
  - (b) Which is not a medical facility as defined in NRS 449.0151,
- is not required to pay the fee for the collective certification of advanced practice registered nurses in the employ of a public or nonprofit agency as set forth in subsection 1.
  - 6. A practitioner employed by or serving as an independent contractor of a health center:

- (a) Which is a federally qualified health center as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(l)(2)(B), as that section existed on March 1, 2000, that provides health care primarily to medically underserved persons in a community; and
  - (b) Which is not a medical facility as defined in NRS 449.0151,
- is not required to pay a fee to the Board for a change of address or for an additional address at which the practitioner dispenses drugs.
- 7. A practitioner who is exempt from the payment of a fee pursuant to subsection 6 shall notify the Board in writing of each change of address or additional address, or both.