

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Intent to Amend Regulations

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Health Division will hold public workshops to consider fee changes to the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Chapter 449. The Carson City workshop is scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM on Friday, March 12, 2010, at the Nevada State Health Division, 4150 Technology Way, Suite 303, Carson City, Nevada. The workshop will be teleconferenced from Desert Regional Center, 1391 South Jones Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada. This workshop will be conducted in accordance with NRS 241.020, Nevada's Open Meeting Law.

The proposed amendments will be available to view as of Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at the following website: <http://www.health.nv.gov/hcqc.htm>. If you do not have internet access and wish to obtain a hard copy or electronic copy of the proposed amendments, please call (775) 687-4475.

AGENDA

1. Introduction of workshop process
2. Internet Website Posting of Statement Regarding Fee Changes
3. Statement Regarding Fee Changes
4. Public Comment

Internet Website Posting of Statement Regarding Fee Changes

The proposed changes will revise Chapter 449 of the Nevada Administrative Code to address the following: These regulation changes are being proposed in accordance with NAC 449.002 to NAC 449.9937.

Statement Regarding Fee Changes

The Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance protects the safety and welfare of the public and promotes quality health care through licensing, regulation, enforcement and education. Bureau operations are funded primarily by license fees, and no State tax dollars. A 2009 example of our bureau mission in action was our investigation and closing of an unlicensed ambulatory surgery center for performing breast augmentation surgeries and harming and hospitalizing patients. Other headlines of Bureau actions can be viewed at our website, <http://health.nv.gov/HCQC.htm>. In 2009, the Nevada State Legislature authorized our budget and mandated that the Bureau increase our surveyor staffing levels to ensure our health protection mission was fulfilled. Therefore, our license fees for most facility types must increase. It has been over six (6) years since the Bureau significantly raised fees. If we do not, Bureau operations will have to be scaled back significantly, and there will be no assurance that the health of the public, and patients and residents of health facilities, will be protected.

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence may submit the material to Denise Dunning, no later than March 12, 2010, at 5:00 PM, at the following address:

Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance
1550 College Parkway, Suite 158
Carson City, NV 89706
ddunning@health.nv.gov
775-687-6588 (FAX)

Members of the public who require special accommodations or assistance at the workshops are required to notify Denise Dunning, in writing at the Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance, 1550 College Parkway, Suite 158, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or by calling (775) 687-4475 ext. 261, at least 24 hours prior to the date of the workshop

A copy of the notice and the proposed regulations are on file for inspection and/or may be copied at the following locations during normal business hours:

Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 1550 College Parkway, Suite 158 Carson City, NV 89706	Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Suite 810, Bldg D Las Vegas, NV 89119
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Nevada State Library and Archives
100 Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

A copy of this notice has been posted at the following locations:

1. Nevada State Health Division, 4150 Technology Way, First Floor Lobby, Carson City
2. Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City
3. Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson Street, Carson City
4. Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Las Vegas
5. Southern Nevada Health District, 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas
6. Washoe County District Health Department, 9TH and Wells, Reno
7. Nevada State Health Division web page: <http://health.nv.gov/>

Copies may be obtained in person, by mail, or by calling (775) 687-4475.

Copies may also be obtained from any of the public libraries listed below:

Carson City Library
900 North Roop Street
Carson City, NV 89702

Churchill County Library
553 South Main Street
Fallon, NV 89406

Clark County District Library
833 Las Vegas Boulevard North
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Douglas County Library
1625 Library Lane
Minden, NV 89423

Elko County Library
720 Court Street
Elko, NV 89801

Esmeralda County Library
Corner of Crook and 4th Street
Goldfield, NV 89013-0484

Eureka Branch Library
210 South Monroe Street
Eureka, NV 89316-0283

Henderson District Public Library
280 South Water Street
Henderson, NV 89105

Humboldt County Library
85 East 5th Street
Winnemucca, NV 89445-3095

Lander County Library
625 South Broad Street
Battle Mountain, NV 89820-0141

Lincoln County Library
93 Maine Street
Pioche, NV 89043-0330

Lyon County Library
20 Nevin Way
Yerington, NV 89447-2399

Mineral County Library
110 1st Street
Hawthorne, NV 89415-1390

Pahrump Library District
701 East Street
Pahrump, NV 89041-0578

Pershing County Library
1125 Central Avenue
Lovelock, NV 89419-0781

Storey County Library
95 South R Street
Virginia City, NV 89440-0014

Tonopah Public Library
167 Central Street
Tonopah, NV 89049-0449

Washoe County Library
301 South Center Street
Reno, NV 89505-2151

White Pine County Library
950 Campton Street
Ely, NV 89301-1965

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulations, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall 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.