

**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
 NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control 540 Department or Agency Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners

Rule No. 540-X-7-.07

Rule Title: License Renewal - Physician Assistant (P.A.)

\_\_\_\_\_ New  Amend \_\_\_\_\_ Repeal \_\_\_\_\_ Adopt by Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? ..... YES \_\_\_\_\_

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? ..... YES \_\_\_\_\_

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

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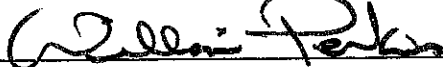
Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? ..... NO \_\_\_\_\_

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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**Certification of Authorized Official**

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer: 

Date September 20, 2018 \_\_\_\_\_

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ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

RULE NO. & TITLE: 540-X-7-.07, License Renewal - Physician Assistant (P.A.)


INTENDED ACTION: To amend the rule

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: To allow "late" renewals from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31 to certify continuing medical education completion rather than submitting documentation

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: All interested persons may submit data, views, or arguments concerning the proposed new rule(s) and regulation(s) in writing to: Carla H. Kruger, Office of the General Counsel, Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners, Post Office Box 946, Montgomery, Alabama 36101-0946, by mail or in person between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, until and including November 2, 2018. Persons wishing to obtain copies of the text of this rule and submit data, views, or comments or arguments orally should contact Carla H. Kruger by telephone (334-242-4116) during said period in order to set up an appointment for a hearing respecting such oral data, views, or arguments. Copies can also be obtained at the Board's web site, [www.albme.org](http://www.albme.org).

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: November 2, 2018

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Carla H. Kruger



(Signature of officer authorized  
to promulgate and adopt  
rules or his or her deputy)

540-X-7-.07 License Renewal - Physician Assistant (P.A.).

(1) A license to practice as a physician assistant shall be renewed annually on or before January 1st of each year. Application for annual renewal shall be received by the Board on or before December 31st and shall be accompanied by a renewal fee in the amount of \$100.00.

(2) The Board shall not renew the license to practice of any physician assistant against whom an administrative fine has been assessed by the Board until such fine is paid in full. In the event that the fine is subsequently reduced or set aside on judicial review as provided in the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act, the physician assistant shall be entitled to a prompt refund of the amount of the fine, but shall not be entitled to interest thereon.

(3) If a physician assistant fails to renew his license before January 1, he may subsequently renew his license ~~by submitting a completed renewal application, paying the renewal fee of \$100.00 and submitting proof of completion of the continuing medical education hours required by this Chapter as follows:~~

(a) Between January 1 and January 31, submit a completed renewal application, pay the renewal fee of \$100, and certify completion of the continuing medical education hours required by this Chapter.

(b) February 1 and thereafter, submit a completed renewal application, pay the renewal fee of \$100, and submit proof of completion of the continuing medical education hours required by this Chapter.

**Author:** Alabama Board of Medical Examiners

**Statutory Authority:** *Code of Alabama* §§34-24-290, *et. seq.*

**History:** Repealed and Replaced: Filed September 21, 1998; effective October 26, 1998. Amended June 6, 2002. Repealed and Replaced: Approved June 6,

2002. Effective Date: October 24, 2002. Amended: Approved March 17, 2004.  
Effective Date: June 25, 2004. Amended/Approved: September 19, 2018.