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NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND AND ADOPT RULES

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Composite Medical Board (hereinafter "Board") proposes amendments to the Georgia Composite Medical Board Rules by amending **Rule 360-16-.01 "Renewal and Expiration Dates."** An exact copy of the proposed rule is attached to this Notice.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rules and a synopsis of the proposed amendments may be reviewed between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except official state holidays, at 2 Peachtree Street, NW., 6th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303. These documents can also be reviewed online at http://medicalboard.georgia.gov/notice-intent-amendadopt-rules.

A public hearing is scheduled to begin at **8:30 a.m.** on **May 6, 2021 via TEAMS** to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rules. At the public hearing, any interested person may present data, make a statement or comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument orally or in in writing. Lengthy statements and statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. To ensure their consideration, submit all written comments by **April 29, 2021 to lhughes@dch.ga.gov** via mail to the Georgia Composite Medical Board Rules Committee at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 6th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

The Board voted to adopt this Notice of Intent on April 1, 2021. Upon conclusion of the public hearing on May 6, 2021, the Board will consider whether the formulation and adoption of these proposed rule amendments imposes excessive regulatory costs on any license or entity, and whether any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendments could be reduced by a less expensive alternative that accomplishes the objectives of the statutes which are the basis of the proposed rule. Additionally, the Board will consider whether it is legal or feasible in meeting the objectives of the applicable laws to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A),(B),(C), and (D).

This Notice is adopted and posted in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4 of the Georgia Administrative Procedures Act. A synopsis of the proposed rules and an economic impact statement are attached to this Notice. The authority for promulgation of these rules is O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-34-5(c).

Issued this day April 5, 2021.

LaSharn Hughes,

MBA Executive

Director

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ECONOMIC IMPACT AND SYNOPSIS FOR

RULE CHAPTER 360-16 Renewal and Expiration Dates

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

The attached rules are promulgated under the authority of the Medical Practice Act, Title 43, Chapter 34. The Georgia Composite Medical Board licenses and regulates nine professions. The formulation and adoption of these rules do not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee, and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Additionally, it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of the Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses listed in O.C.G.A. §50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D).

RULE SYNOPSIS:

Rule 360-16-.01 "Renewal and Expiration Dates"

<u>Dates Purpose/Main Features</u>: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to explain the expiration dates for renewal.

O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-34-5(c)

Rule 360-16-.01. Renewal and Expiration Dates

- (1) Medical licenses (M.D. and D.O.) will expire on the last day of the month in which the applicant's birthday falls. Medical licenses must be renewed biennially by the last day of the month in which the applicant's birthday falls. The licensee must satisfy Board approved continuing education requirements to be eligible for renewal.
- (2) License are valid for two years at which time they must be renewed by the end of your birth month. You must possess your initial license for a minimum of 13 months and no more than 24 months before your first renewal. Therefore, if your license was issued prior to your birth month your initial license will not be the whole two years and would expire the following year at the end of your birth month.

Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. <u>43-34-5(c)</u>