

Department of Health  
Notice of Rulemaking Hearing  
Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
Division of Health Related Boards

There will be a hearing before the Tennessee Board of Chiropractic Examiners to consider the promulgation of amendments to rules pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, and 63-4-106. The hearing will be conducted in the manner prescribed by the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-204 and will take place in the Division of Health Related Board's Conference Room on the Third Floor of the Heritage Place Building located at 227 French Landing, Nashville, TN at 2:30 p.m. (CDT) on the 20th day of October, 2006.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (review these filings) should contact the Department of Health, Division of Health Related Boards to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation or review. Such initial contact may be made no less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled meeting date (the date such party intends to review such filings), to allow time for the Division to determine how it may reasonably provide such aid or service. Initial contact may be made with the ADA Coordinator at the Division of Health Related Boards, 227 French Landing, Suite 300, Heritage Place, MetroCenter, Nashville, TN 37243, (615) 532-4397.

For a copy of the entire text of this notice of rulemaking hearing contact:

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Substance of Proposed Rules

Amendments

Chapter 0260-2  
General Rules Governing Chiropractic Examiners

Rule 0260-2-.02, Scope of Practice, is amended by adding the following language as new paragraph (4):

- (4) Acupuncture – Any licensed chiropractic physician who practices acupuncture shall, prior to commencing such practice, complete two hundred and fifty (250) hours of an acupuncture course accredited by an agency or entity acceptable to the Board and pass the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Acupuncture Exam.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-4-101, 63-4-106, 63-4-107, 63-6-1002, and Public Chapter 775 of the Public Acts of 2006.

Rule 0260-2-.12, Continuing Education, is amended by deleting paragraph (1) but not its subparagraphs and substituting instead the following language, and is further amended by deleting subparagraph (5) (b) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that as amended, the new paragraph (1) but not its subparagraphs, and the new subparagraph (5) (b) shall read:

- (1) Basic requirements - The Board of Chiropractic Examiners requires each licensee to complete twenty-four (24) clock hours of Board-approved continuing education each calendar year (January 1 – December 31). If the licensee practices acupuncture, six (6) of these twenty-four (24) hours shall pertain to such acupuncture practice.

- (5) (b) A maximum of six (6) credit hours may be granted for multi-media courses during each calendar year. If the licensee practices acupuncture, three (3) of these six (6) hours may pertain to such acupuncture practice.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-4-101, 63-4-106, 63-4-112, and Public Chapter 775 of the Public Acts of 2006.

Rule 0260-2-.20, Advertising, is amended by inserting the following language as new subparagraph (4) (d) and renumbering the remaining subparagraphs accordingly:

- (4) (d) Statements that the licensee is a certified acupuncturist.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-4-106, 63-4-122, and Public Chapter 775 of the Public Acts of 2006.

Contact who can answer questions concerning this notice of rulemaking hearing, technical contact for disk acquisition, and person who will approve final copy for publication: Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager, Division of Health Related Boards, 227 French Landing, Suite 300, Heritage Place, MetroCenter, Nashville, TN 37243, (615) 532-4397.

The notice of rulemaking set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State on the 31st day of August, 2006.