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Notice of proposed changes relating to the practice of nursing in the regulations of the Board of Nursing

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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- 1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will this regulation do?
 - **12 AAC 44.321. Review of applications.** The proposed regulations will repeal this section. It will remove the requirements of having to do a regulations project to adopt checklists by reference, and avoid of having to do a regulations project each time there are updates to the checklists used for review of applications.
 - **12 AAC 44.446.** Loss of prescriptive authority. The proposed regulations will ensure that all DEA and the PDMP board are notified when any APRN's lose their prescriptive authority; to ensure that all appropriate entity are aware of any APRN's that lose prescriptive authority no longer write prescriptions.
 - **12 AAC 44.770. Unprofessional conduct.** The proposed regulations add provisions related to unprofessional conduct to what happens to the patient records when an APRN closes their practice.
 - 12 AAC 44.925. Advanced practice registered nurse standards of practice for telehealth. The proposed new regulations provides standards of how telehealth may be performed in this state, and clarification of APRN in telehealth practice.
 - **12 AAC 44.945.** Administration of herbal or non-herbal nutritional supplement. The proposed regulations will clarify the administration of herbal or non-herbal nutritional supplement to a patient.

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12 AAC 44.990. Definitions. The proposed regulation is to add a definition for "telehealth". This is a conforming amendment to the new section 12 AAC 44.925.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

None known.

3. When will the regulations be effective?

After public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Board for consideration. The Board may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Board action, the adopted regulations goes to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

Do you have a question that is not answered here? Please email <u>RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov</u> so it can be added.