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TO: Sara Chambers, Boards and Regulations Advisor
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

FROM: April Simpson, Alaska Administrative Code Coordinator 
Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE: February 4, 2026

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development regulations re:
Telemedicine Business Registry; Licensing; Definitions (12 AAC 02; 12 AAC 12)

Attorney General File:	2024200498
Regulation Filed:	2/4/2026
Effective Date:	3/6/2026
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January 30, 2026

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom
Lieutenant Governor
State of Alaska
P.O. Box 110015
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Re: *12 AAC 02; 12 AAC 12: DCCED - Telemedicine Business Registry;
Licensing; Definitions*
Our file: 2024200498

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations concern the telemedicine business registry and include provisions to implement secs. 5 and 6, ch. 13, SLA 2024 (CSSB 91(FIN) am H), regarding registration renewals and fees.

The November 16, 2025 public notice and the January 8, 2026 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

To: Hon. Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor
Our file: 2024200498; 12 AAC 02; 12 AAC 12

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We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060. The corrections are incorporated into the attached copy of the regulations.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. COX
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY,
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The attached regulations, dealing with centralized and business licensing regulations relating to the telemedicine business registry, application and registration requirements for business licenses, updates to definitions, and implementing amendments to AS 08.02 enacted under Chapter 13, SLA 2024 (SB 91), are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development adopts under the authority of AS 08.01.050, AS 08.01.060, AS 08.01.080, AS 08.01.100, AS 43.70.020, AS 43.70.030, AS 43.70.075, AS 43.70.090, AS 43.70.105, AS 43.70.110, AS 44.33.020, and AS 44.33.381, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: 1/8/2026

Signed by:

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Sylvan Robb, Director
Division of Corporations, Business and
Professional Licensing

April Simpson for

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on February 4, 2026, at 9:13a.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

April Simpson
for Lieutenant Governor *Nancy Dahlstrom*

Effective: March 6, 2026.

Register: 257, April 2026.

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Nancy Dahlstrom", is written over a horizontal dotted line.

**NANCY DAHLSTROM
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

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12 AAC 02.106 is repealed:

12 AAC 02.106. Telemedicine business registry. Repealed. (Eff. 4/28/2017, Register 222; repealed 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

12 AAC 02.600 is repealed:

12 AAC 02.600. Application for placement on the telemedicine business registry; changes of information. Repealed. (Eff. 4/28/2017, Register 222; repealed 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Chapter 12. Business Licensing.

12 AAC 12 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 12.025. Telemedicine business registration. (a) A business that performs telemedicine services shall register with the telemedicine business registry before providing telemedicine services to a recipient located in this state. The business shall register with the business name the business will use to perform telemedicine services in this state.

(b) A business that operates under multiple business names to perform telemedicine services must file a separate registration for each business name before that business provides telemedicine services to a recipient located in this state.

(c) One telemedicine registration for each business name is sufficient to cover all health care services the business provides. (Eff. 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Authority: AS 44.33.020 AS 44.33.381

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12 AAC 12.030(7) is amended to read:

(7) the name, title, and signature or electronic signature of the natural person completing the application as an authorized representative of the business [ON BEHALF OF THE BUSINESS AND THAT PERSON'S TITLE OR POSITION IN THE BUSINESS]; [AND] (Eff. 11/4/98, Register 148; am 6/27/2004, Register 170; am 3/26/2015, Register 213; am 1/1/2019, Register 228; am 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Authority: AS 08.01.050 AS 43.70.020 AS 43.70.075
AS 08.01.060 AS 43.70.030 AS 43.70.090
AS 08.01.080

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12 AAC 12 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 12.035. Application, renewal, and termination of a telemedicine business registration. (a) To be registered on the telemedicine business registry, a business that performs telemedicine services shall pay the applicable fee as established in AS 44.33.381 and

(1) apply for registration as part of the initial application for a new business license under 12 AAC 12.030 or the application for renewal of a business license under 12 AAC 12.040, and complete the telemedicine business registration section of the application; or

(2) submit a telemedicine business registration form to the department, if the applicant is the holder of an existing business license not previously registered to provide telemedicine services.

(b) A telemedicine business registration is subject to renewal every two years, together

with the corresponding business license, and expires on the same expiration date. To renew a telemedicine business registration, the business shall

(1) submit a business license renewal application in accordance with 12 AAC 12.040;

(2) elect to maintain the telemedicine business registration; and

(3) pay the applicable fee as established in AS 44.33.381.

(c) If a business terminates the performance of telemedicine services, the business shall notify the department and request that the department remove the business from the telemedicine business registry. (Eff. 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Authority: AS 44.33.020 AS 44.33.381

12 AAC 12.040(c) is amended to read:

(c) The department will renew a business license that has been **expired** [LAPSED] for two years or less if the applicant for renewal of the business license pays the business license renewal fee specified in 12 AAC 12.010(b) in a manner specified by the department on the renewal application.

12 AAC 12.040(d) is amended to read:

(d) The department will not renew a business license that has been **expired** [LAPSED] for more than two years. The previous holder of a business license that has been **expired** [LAPSED] for more than two years may apply for a new business license under this chapter.

12 AAC 12.040 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) The department will renew a telemedicine business registration as part of a business

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license renewal application submitted by a business that continues to provide telemedicine services. (Eff. 11/4/98, Register 148; am 6/27/2004, Register 170; am 3 / 6 / 2026,

Register 257)

Authority:	AS 08.01.050	AS 08.01.100	<u>AS 44.33.020</u>
	AS 08.01.080	AS 43.70.090	<u>AS 44.33.381</u>

12 AAC 12.050(b) is amended to read:

(b) If a [THE] business license holder submits [THE FEE SPECIFIED IN 12 AAC 02.105(3) ALONG WITH THE] updated information on a form provided by the department, **with the name, title, and signature or electronic signature of the natural person providing the information as an authorized representative of the business**, the department will update a business license to show a change in

- (1) the business license holder's legal name; or
- (2) the business name as described in (a)(1)(A) or (B) of this section.

(Eff. 11/4/98, Register 148; am 3/26/2015, Register 213; am 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Authority:	AS 08.01.050	AS 43.70.030	AS 43.70.090
	AS 43.70.020		

12 AAC 12.990 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read;

- (12) "business name" means
 - (A) a doing business as (d/b/a) name;
 - (B) a trade name;
 - (C) an also known as (a/k/a) name; or

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(D) any other name under which a person or an entity conducts business;

(13) "telemedicine services" has the meaning given in AS 44.33.381. (Eff.

11/4/98, Register 148; am 6/27/2004, Register 170; am 3/26/2015, Register 213; am 1/1/2019,

Register 228; am 3 / 6 / 2026, Register 257)

Authority: AS 08.01.080 AS 43.70.105 **AS 44.33.020**

AS 43.70.075 AS 43.70.110 **AS 44.33.381**

AS 43.70.090

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