

Unified Regulatory Plan of the Department of Health Professions for State Fiscal Year 2025

Department of Health Professions.

The Virginia Department of Health Professions (“DHP”) is the umbrella agency for the 13 health regulatory boards and the Board of Health Professions that, together, license and regulate more than 435,000 healthcare practitioners across 64 professions. Health regulatory boards also regulate 13 types of facilities (funeral establishments, pharmacy-related businesses, and veterinary facilities). The director of DHP is authorized to supervise and manage the agency; perform or consolidate administrative services for the boards; receive all complaints made against regulated health care professionals; develop administrative policies and procedures governing the receipt and recording of complaints; monitor the status of actions regarding complaints; provide investigative services; collect and account for all fees to be paid into each board; and promulgate and revise regulations necessary for the administration of the department and such regulations as are necessary for the implementation of the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program, the Prescription Monitoring Program, and collection and management of emergency contact information for regulants.

Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology.

The Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology is a regulatory board within DHP. The board is authorized to: license the practice of audiology and speech-language pathology, including licensing school speech-language pathologists; set standards for licensure and professional conduct; and promulgate regulations to carry out the licensing act.

Board of Counseling.

The Board of Counseling is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license and regulate the practice of counseling, marriage and family therapy, substance abuse treatment practitioners, and art therapy; and to administer the certification of rehabilitation providers, substance abuse counselors, and substance abuse counseling assistants. The board is also authorized to register qualified mental health professionals, peer recovery specialists, behavioral health technicians, and behavioral health technician assistants.

Board of Dentistry.

The Board of Dentistry is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license and promulgate regulations governing the practice and teaching of dentistry and dental hygiene. It is also authorized to promulgate regulations for the registration of dental assistants II, mobile dental clinics and for the issuance of permits for dentists who use moderate sedation or deep sedation/general anesthesia in dental offices. The board also registers dentists who practice oral and maxillofacial surgery and certifies those who perform cosmetic procedures.

Board of Funeral Directors & Embalmers.

The Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license funeral service licensees, funeral directors, embalmers, and establishments providing funeral and embalming services; to regulate and inspect funeral establishments and crematories; to supervise programs for funeral service interns; to regulate preneed funeral contracts and preneed funeral trust accounts; to register crematories; and to promulgate regulations to improve and promote standards of service and practice and otherwise carry out the licensing act. The board is also directed to enforce applicable regulations of the State Board of Health and of local governments.

Board of Health Professions.

The Board of Health Professions is a policy board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to evaluate the need for coordination among health profession regulatory boards within the department; evaluate all health occupations and professions in the Commonwealth and recommend whether each should be regulated and the degree of regulation to impose; monitor the policies and activities of the department; comment, as appropriate, on all regulations proposed or promulgated by the boards of the department; and review enforcement and discipline processes of the boards and the department. In addition, the board is authorized to promulgate regulations to administer the Practitioner Self-Referral Act.

Board of Long-Term Care Administrators.

The Board of Long-Term Care Administrators is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license nursing home administrators and administrators of facilities licensed to provide assisted living care, to prescribe standards for licensure and professional conduct, and to promulgate regulations to carry out the licensing act.

Board of Medicine.

The Board of Medicine is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license the practice of acupuncture, chiropractic, medicine, occupational therapy, osteopathic medicine, podiatry, radiologic technology, and respiratory care; to license physician assistants, athletic trainers, certified professional midwives, polysomnographic technologists, behavior analysts, assistant behavior analysts, genetic counselors, and surgical assistants; to certify surgical technologists; jointly with the Board of Nursing, to promulgate regulations regarding the licensure and prescriptive authority of nurse practitioners, of licensed certified midwives, and of clinical nurse specialists; and, jointly with the Board of Pharmacy, to promulgate regulations to facilitate the development and implementation of safe and effective collaborative agreements between practitioners and pharmacists. The board is required to prescribe by regulation such requirements as may be necessary to ensure continued practitioner competence which may include continuing education, testing, or any other requirement.

Board of Nursing.

The Board of Nursing is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license registered and practical nurses, to certify nurse aides and establish a career advancement certification for certified nurse aides, to register medication aides in assisted living facilities, to approve and prescribe minimum standards for nursing, nurse aide, and medication aide education programs, to approve curricula therefor, to license massage therapists, and to promulgate regulations for the delegation of certain nursing tasks and procedures to an appropriately trained unlicensed person and regulations for collecting, storing and making available nursing workforce information. It is also authorized, jointly with the Board of Medicine, to promulgate regulations regarding the licensure and prescriptive authority for advanced practice registered nurses and licensed certified midwives. The board is authorized to cooperate with the Board of Health's promulgation of regulations establishing a nursing scholarship and loan repayment program for registered nurses, practical nurses, and certified nurse aides who agree to perform a period of nursing service in a Commonwealth long-term care facility. The Board is authorized to distribute the Mary Marshall Nursing Scholarship from licensing funds to students in registered nursing, licensed practical nursing, and certified nurse aide programs pursuant to biennial appropriations by the Virginia General Assembly.

Board of Optometry.

The Board of Optometry is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license optometrists, to establish standards for licensure and governing practice, and to approve courses of continuing education required for annual license renewal. It is authorized to promulgate regulations regarding the certification of optometrists to administer diagnostic pharmaceutical agents for the purpose of examining the human eye and to certify qualified optometrists to prescribe certain therapeutic pharmaceutical agents for the treatment of certain diseases and abnormal conditions of the human eye and its adnexa.

Board of Pharmacy.

The Board of Pharmacy is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license pharmacists; to register pharmacy technicians and pharmacy technician trainees; to permit pharmacies, outsourcing facilities, and third-party logistics providers; to register nonresident pharmacies, nonresident outsourcing facilities, and nonresident manufacturers; to regulate the manufacturing, dispensing, selling, distributing, processing, compounding, or disposal of drugs and devices; to register persons prescribing or doing research in controlled substances; to modify the statutory classifications of controlled substances; to prescribe standards for special packaging; to promulgate regulations respecting equipment, sanitation, quality control, and safeguards against diversion and otherwise carry out the drug control statutes; and, jointly with the Board of Medicine, to promulgate regulations to facilitate the development and implementation of safe and effective collaborative agreements between practitioners of the healing arts and pharmacists. The board is authorized to license and regulate the dispensing of controlled substances by practitioners of the healing arts and to issue permits to the facilities from which they dispense. It regulates the storage, handling, and distribution of

prescription drugs by wholesale distributors, medical equipment suppliers, third-party logistics providers, and warehouseers to prevent the diversion of prescription drugs. The Board is authorized to promulgate regulations governing the issuance of a permit for a pharmaceutical processor to cultivate cannabis, and produce and dispense cannabis products to be used for the treatment of any disease or condition as certified by a registered doctor of medicine or osteopathic medicine.

Board of Physical Therapy.

The Board of Physical Therapy is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to regulate the practice of physical therapy and carry out the provisions of the Code of Virginia regarding the qualifications, examination, licensure, regulation, and continuing competency of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants. The board is also authorized to certify physical therapists who meet certain criteria to provide services without referral.

Board of Psychology.

The Board of Psychology is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license clinical psychologists, applied psychologists, and school psychologists, including school psychologists-limited in cooperation with the Board of Education, and to promulgate regulations for the voluntary certification of its licensees as sex offender treatment providers and the mandatory certification of certain other professionals as sex offender treatment providers.

Board of Social Work.

The Board of Social Work is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license persons engaged in the practice of social work as baccalaureate social workers (LBSW), master's social workers (LMSW), or clinical social workers (LCSW). The board is also authorized to license music therapists.

Board of Veterinary Medicine.

The Board of Veterinary Medicine is a regulatory board within the Department of Health Professions. The board is authorized to license veterinarians and veterinary technicians and to issue faculty or intern/resident licenses; to register equine dental technicians; to establish essential requirements and standards for approval of veterinary programs; to establish and monitor programs for the practical training of qualified students of veterinary medicine or veterinary technology in college or university programs of veterinary medicine or veterinary technology; and to regulate, inspect and register all establishments and premises where veterinary medicine is practiced. The board is authorized to promulgate regulations for continuing education requirements for renewal of licensure and licensure by endorsement of veterinarians and veterinary technicians.

Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulatory reduction 2024		
Brief Overview The Board may adopt fast-track regulatory changes that are the result of a periodic review, suggestions from a petition for rulemaking, and reduction of requirements.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Regulatory reduction	
Expected Date	July 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6293		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of regulatory changes to comply with the ASLP Compact.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopted proposed regulations to comply with legislation entering Virginia into the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Compact, Chapter 337 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly upon completion of executive branch review of NOIRA stage Action 6293 / Stage 10086.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Licensure Compact	
Expected Date	June 2025	

Board of Counseling

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revision of regulations related to Qualified Mental Health Professionals and adoption of new regulations to register behavioral health technicians and behavioral health technician assistants	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt regulatory amendments by exempt action pursuant to SB403 to alter QMHP requirements and to register behavioral health technicians and behavioral health technician assistants.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Fewer requirements for QMHP registration
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5656	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Licensure of Art Therapists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations to license art therapists 18VAC115-90 following approval by the Governor’s office of the proposed regulations Action 5656 / Stage 9495.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6087	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Removal of redundant provisions related to conversion therapy.	
Brief Overview Reduction of one requirement that is duplicative of statute in 18VAC115-20, -30, -50, -60. The Board will adopt proposed regulations following approval by the Governor’s office of Action 6087 / Stage 9799.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	As described in the agency background document filed, the changes eliminate redundant provisions regarding conversion therapy that are now in statute.
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6238	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Proposed regulations consistent with the Counseling Compact.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to replace emergency regulations consistent with entry into the Counseling Compact as required by Chapters 684 and 685 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly. This is dependent on completion of executive branch review of Action 6238 / Stage 10003.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Licensure compact.
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Dentistry

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to opioid and buprenorphine prescribing regulations pursuant to statute.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt an exempt action to add specific patient counseling requirements as required by HB699 of the 2024 General Assembly.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 1, 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5600		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Training and supervision of digital scan technicians		
Brief Overview Board will vote on final regulations in 18VAC60-21 regarding the training of technicians to practice under the direction of a licensed dentist in Virginia, pursuant to HB165 and SB122 of the 2020 General Assembly once proposed regulations are approved by the Governor Action 5600 / Stage 9629.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5967		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Expansion and clarification of refresher courses required for reinstatement of license of a dentist or dental hygienist.		
Brief Overview The Board intends to expand the number and type of refresher courses accepted by the Board for reinstatement or renewal of license for a dentist or dental hygienist in 18VAC60-21 and -25. Action is in response to a petition for rulemaking from the regulated community. Will vote on proposed regulations when NOIRA executive branch review is complete Action 5967 / Stage 9644.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5987		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Continuing education requirements for jurisprudence		
Brief Overview The Board intends to specify that a certain number of the already required hours of continuing education for licensure renewal must be in jurisprudence. The Board will vote on proposed regulations when the NOIRA completes executive branch review Action 5987 / Stage 9671.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5728		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Elimination of direct pulp-capping as a delegable task for a DAII		
Brief Overview The amendment corrects a mistake in the original drafting of regulations regarding delegable tasks of DAIIIs, clarifying that DAIIIs can only be delegated indirect pulp-capping, not direct pulp-capping in 18VAC60-30. The Board will vote on final regulations when the proposed regulations have completed executive branch review Action 5728 / Stage 9645.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6389		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Submission of proposed regulations related to requirements and training necessary for dentists to perform cosmetic botox.		
Brief Overview The Board will vote on final regulations related to requirements to perform cosmetic botox on patients pursuant to Chapter 413 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly. Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of proposed stage Action 6389 / Stage 10368.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to opioid prescribing regulations.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC60-21 following a 2023 workgroup held by the Board of Medicine and publication of new guidelines by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Board of Funeral Directors & Embalmers

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Emergency regulations governing preneed funeral contracts	
Brief Overview The Board will draft emergency regulations related to preneed funeral contract changes in the 2024 General Assembly Session (SB521 – Graves)	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6229	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Proposed regulatory changes to Chapters 20, 30, and 40	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on proposed regulations for Chapters 20, 30, and 40 to reduce requirements and increase pathways to endorsement for funeral directors. This action is dependent on executive branch review of Action 6229 / Stage 9992.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements; increase endorsement pathways for funeral directors
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Long-Term Care Administrators

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Allowance of agency subordinates to hear credentials cases.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC95-15 to allow agency subordinates to hear credentials cases pursuant to Chapter 191 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6189	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulatory reduction	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations following executive branch approval of the NOIRA for Action 6189 / Stage 10113.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Regulatory reduction
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Medicine

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to opioid and buprenorphine prescribing regulations pursuant to statute.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt an exempt action to add specific patient counseling requirements as required by HB699 of the 2024 General Assembly.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 1, 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Allowance of agency subordinates to hear credentials cases.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC85-15 to allow agency subordinates to hear credentials cases pursuant to Chapter 191 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	December 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6294		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Removal of requirement for collaborating physician’s name on physician assistant prescriptions		
Brief Overview The Board, in response to a petition for rulemaking, will adopt proposed regulations to amend 18VAC85-50-160(A) to remove the requirement that the collaborating physician’s name appear on the face of prescriptions written by physician assistants for Schedules II – V. Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of NOIRA stage Action 6294 / Stage 10087.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements for physician assistants.	
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6295		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to requirements for patient care team physician or podiatrist consultation and collaboration		
Brief Overview The Board, in response to a petition for rulemaking, will adopt proposed regulations to amend 18VAC85-50-110(1) to reduce requirements for consultation and collaboration with the patient care team physician or podiatrist. Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of NOIRA stage Action 6295 / Stage 10088.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action

Deregulatory Component	Reduces requirements for physician assistants
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Nursing

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of NOIRA following completion of periodic review for Chapter 27 governing nursing education programs.		
Brief Overview The Board will issue a NOIRA regarding recommended changes to Chapter 27 following periodic review.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6414		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Fee increase		
Brief Overview The Board of Nursing will adopt proposed regulations for a fee increase, which is necessary to cover operating expenses of the Board.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to opioid and buprenorphine prescribing regulations.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC90-40 following a 2023 workgroup and publication of new guidelines by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and due to removal of requirement that prescriber obtains a waiver from SAMHSA prior to prescribing buprenorphine.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	January 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revision of Guidance Document 90-62 regarding medication aide training.		
Brief Overview Minor changes to Guidance Document 90-62 to reflect appropriate state licensing authority for programs (DOE instead of previously used DSS).		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024	

Board of Optometry

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to opioid and buprenorphine prescribing regulations.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC105-20 following a 2023 workgroup and publication of new guidelines by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	February 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6071	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations for optometrist profiles and reporting	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations to require optometrists to annually register with the Board and report certain information pursuant to Chapters 16 and 17 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly. Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of proposed stage Action 6071 / Stage 10029.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6072	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations for laser surgery certifications	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations to allow optometrists to perform laser surgery pursuant to Chapters 16 and 17 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly. Dependent on completion of executive branch review of proposed stage Action 6072 / Stage 10028.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Pharmacy

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6504 / Stage 10382	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Remove chemicals from 18VAC110-20-322 pursuant to 2024 General Assembly action	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt an exempt action to remove chemicals scheduled in statute by the 2024 General Assembly.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 1, 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6452	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations regarding EMS agencies	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulatory amendments to permit EMS agencies to register for controlled substance registrations in a manner that suits the emergency services model. Change is necessitated by changes to federal regulations. Action dependent on executive branch review of emergency/NOIRA stage Action 6452 / Stage 10312.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Allows EMS to register for CSR in a different manner than other registrants to ease restrictions
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6505	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations regarding central fill pharmacies and remote dispensing	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulatory amendments to permit central fill pharmacies and remote dispensing pursuant to legislation from the 2024 General Assembly. Action dependent on executive branch review of emergency/NOIRA stage.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Allows use of central fill and remote processing technology that now requires approval of a pilot program by the Board.
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6460	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations regarding use of automated dispensing devices outside of hospitals	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulatory amendments to permit use of ADDs in certain locations pursuant to legislation from the 2024 General Assembly. Action dependent on executive branch review of emergency/NOIRA stage.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Allows use of ADDs in certain situations that now require approval of a pilot program by the Board.
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Allowance of agency subordinates to hear credentials cases.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a fast-track regulatory action to amend 18VAC110-15 to allow agency subordinates to hear credentials cases pursuant to Chapter 191 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	March 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Schedule I additions pursuant to DFS		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt exempt actions to add chemicals to Schedule I in 18VAC110-20-322 pursuant to Va. Code § 54.1-3443(D), dependent on requests submitted quarterly by DFS.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September, 2024; December, 2024; March 2025; June 2025.	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Additions and deletions of chemicals following action by the federal government to add, remove, or reschedule chemicals.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt exempt actions to add, remove, or reschedule chemicals pursuant to Va. Code § 54.1-3443(E), dependent on scheduling action by the federal government.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 5, 2023; December 6, 2023; March 2024; June 2024.

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6081	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Pharmacy working conditions	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations regarding pharmacy working conditions to replace emergency regulations pursuant to Chapter 628 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly. This action is dependent on executive branch approval of the proposed stage, Action 6081 / Stage 10213.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5925	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2021 periodic review (Chapter 20)	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations based on its 2021 periodic review of 18VAC110-20. This action is dependent on executive branch approval of the NOIRA stage, Action 5925 / Stage 9563.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5966	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Exemption of automated dispensing devices stocked solely with emergency or stat-use medications from certain requirements of 18VAC110-20-555	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations for exemption of automated dispensing devices stocked solely with emergency or stat-use medications from certain requirements of 18VAC110-20-555.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6200	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2023 pharmacists initiating treatment	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations implementing 2023 pharmacists initiating treatment legislation, Chapters 171 and 172 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly. This action is dependent on executive branch approval of the emergency/NOIRA stage, Action 6200 / Stage 10279.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5926	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2021 periodic review (Chapter 21)	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations based on its 2021 periodic review of 18VAC110-21. This action is dependent on executive branch approval of the NOIRA stage, Action 5926 / Stage 9564.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5927	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2021 periodic review (Chapter 30)	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations based on its 2021 periodic review of 18VAC110-30. This action is dependent on executive branch approval of the NOIRA stage, Action 5927 / Stage 9931.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6327	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Fee increase	
Brief Overview The Board of Pharmacy will vote on final regulations for a fee increase, which is necessary to cover operating expenses of the Board. Dependent on completion of executive branch review of proposed stage Action 6327 / Stage 10369.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revision of Guidance Document 110-9.	
Brief Overview Guidance Document 110-9 provides a listing of pharmacy inspection deficiencies and associated fines approved for those deficiencies by the Board. This document changes regularly due to federal legislation, federal regulatory changes, federal guidance (USP and FDA), and Virginia statutory changes. It is reviewed at almost every Board meeting for necessary revisions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September, 2024, December, 2024, March 2025, June 2025

Board of Physical Therapy

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6145	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulatory reduction	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulations for regulatory reduction, dependent on completion of executive branch review of Action 6145 / Stage 10263.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Psychology

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Exempt regulatory action to license psychological practitioners pursuant to legislation.		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt exempt regulations in compliance with HB1499/SB155 to license psychological practitioners.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6322		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of criminal background check requirement pursuant to Compact		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to implement the criminal background check requirement contained in the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact, which the legislature enacted in 2020. This action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of the NOIRA stage Action 6322 / Stage 10132.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6321	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to licensure by endorsement	
Brief Overview Following the acceptance of a petition for rulemaking which requested retired licenses be evidence for licensure by endorsement applications, the Board will adopt proposed regulations to amend other requirements for licensure by endorsement as well to make the process less onerous on applicants. Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of NOIRA stage Action 6321 / Stage 10131.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements for licensure by endorsement
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Social Work

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6370	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2022 periodic review changes to section 37	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on proposed changes to 18VAC140-20-37 resulting from the 2022 periodic review.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5965	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments resulting from 2022 periodic review	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on final regulations resulting from the 2022 periodic review of 18VAC140-20 upon completion of executive branch review of Action 5965 / Stage 9880.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5704	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Initial regulations for licensure of music therapists	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on final regulations in 18VAC140-30 regarding initial licensure of music therapists as required by the General Assembly upon completion of executive branch review of Action 5704 / Stage 9537.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Board of Veterinary Medicine

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6131	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2022 periodic review changes	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations related to its periodic review of 18VAC150-20. This action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of Action 6131 / Stage 9852.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Action will contain significant regulatory reductions for licensed veterinary establishments.
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6364	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to licensure by endorsement	
Brief Overview Following review of the licensure by endorsement regulation by the Board’s regulatory committee and consideration of a petition for rulemaking, the Board will make amendments to the licensure by endorsement regulation to reduce requirements.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements for licensure by endorsement
Expected Date	September 2024

Department of Health Professions

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6388	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revision of Chapter 20, Regulations Governing the Prescription Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview Review and editing of regulations governing the PMP with the intent to eliminate any duplications of statute or redundancies. Submission of the proposed action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of the NOIRA stage Action 6388 / Stage 10202.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Potential reduction of regulations
Expected Date	June 2025