

Unified Regulatory Plan of the Department of Health Professions for State Fiscal Year 2026

Department of Health Professions.

The Virginia Department of Health Professions (“DHP”) is the umbrella agency for the 13 health regulatory boards that, together, license and regulate more than 435,000 healthcare practitioners across 66 professions. Health regulatory boards also regulate 14 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 and speech-language pathology assistants; 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 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 acupuncturists, anesthesiology associates, assistant behavior analysts, athletic trainers, behavior analysts, certified professional midwives, chiropractors, doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathic medicine, genetic counselors, interns and residents (medicine), occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, physician assistants, podiatrists, polysomnographic technologists, radiologic technologists, respiratory care providers, 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. 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, to register advanced medication aides, 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. The board is additionally authorized to provide certification for laser surgery to qualified optometrists.

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; and to promulgate regulations respecting equipment, sanitation, quality control, and safeguards against diversion and otherwise carry out the drug control statutes. 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 warehousemen to prevent the diversion of prescription drugs.

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, psychological practitioners, 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) 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 the public comment of the NOIRA stage 10086.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Licensure Compact
Expected Date	July 8, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Licensure of speech-language pathology assistants	
Brief Overview The Board will adopted exempt regulations to license SLPAs consistent with HB2040 of the 2025 General Assembly. The legislation directed the Board to make regulatory changes by exempt action to be effective by July 1, 2026, the effective date of the legislative changes.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	December 9, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Guidance for use and supervision of SLPAs	
Brief Overview The Board will amend Guidance Document 30-4 or repeal the document based on regulatory changes to license SLPAs.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☒ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Possible repeal of guidance document
Expected Date	December 9, 2025

Board of Counseling

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 Stage 9799.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ 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 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6238	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of the Counseling Compact.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final 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 Stage 10598.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Licensure compact.
Expected Date	June 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6616	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Requirement for supervisors to submit evaluations and confirm resident hours within a set timeframe	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to require supervisors to submit resident evaluations and confirm resident hours within a set timeframe. This is dependent on completion of executive branch review of Stage 10531.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

Board of Dentistry

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 at the next Board meeting after the close of public comment on the proposed stage 9629.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 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 Stage 9671.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

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 DAI	
Brief Overview The amendment corrects a mistake in the original drafting of regulations regarding delegable tasks of DAIs, clarifying that DAIs 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 Stage 9645.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6389	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Training requirements for botulinum toxin injections for cosmetic purposes	
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 10368.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

Board of Funeral Directors & Embalmers

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6528	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Declinable preneed funeral guarantee fee amendments	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to replace emergency regulations related to preneed funeral contract changes pursuant to legislation from the 2024 General Assembly Session (SB521). Action dependent on completion of executive branch review of stage 10415.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6229	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2023 Regulatory reduction	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on final 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 Stage 10640.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements; increase endorsement pathways for funeral directors
Expected Date	June 2026

Board of Long-Term Care Administrators

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2025 periodic review	
Brief Overview The Board will issue a notice of intended regulatory action to begin the periodic review process for 18VAC95-20 and 18VAC95-30.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☒ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2025

Board of Medicine

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 6636		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Licensure of foreign physicians through provisional and restricted licenses		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations governing the provisional and restricted licensure of foreign physicians pursuant to legislation of the 2024 General Assembly.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute	☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	October 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 6123		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2022 periodic review for Chapter 40		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulatory changes pursuant to the 2022 periodic review of 18VAC85-40.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute	☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements	
Expected Date	October 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Licensure of anesthesiologist associates	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a NOIRA governing the licensure of anesthesiologist associates pursuant to SB882 of the 2025 General Assembly Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☒ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6739	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of the PA Compact	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to implement the PA Compact following completion of executive branch review of the NOIRA stage 10748.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Occupational therapists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	August 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Polysomnographic technologists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	August 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Behavior analysts	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	August 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Genetic counselors	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	August 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Respiratory therapists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	October 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Physician assistants	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	October 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Radiologic technologists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	October 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Licensed acupuncturists	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Athletic trainers	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Licensed midwives	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of licensure by endorsement regulations – Surgical assistants	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt licensure by endorsement regulations by exempt action pursuant to HB1861/SB1438 of the 2025 Session.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Discretionary action ☒ Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	Increases licensure pathway
Expected Date	February 2026

Board of Nursing

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6540	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Periodic review changes to Chapter 27.	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final stage amendments to Chapter 27 following periodic review. This action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of stage 10680.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	May 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6197	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2022 periodic review	
Brief Overview The Board of Nursing will adopt proposed regulations to implement 2022 periodic review changes to 18VAC90-21 following completion of executive branch review of stage 9944.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	May 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6198	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of 2022 periodic review	
Brief Overview The Board of Nursing will adopt proposed regulations to implement 2022 periodic review changes to 18VAC90-19 following completion of executive branch review of stage 9945.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	May 2026

Board of Optometry

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 10029.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

Board of Pharmacy

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 10383.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ 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	September 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 9563.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6580		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Exclusion of private dwellings or residences from operating locations of controlled substance registrations (CSRs)		
Brief Overview The Board will adopt proposed regulations to prohibit issuance of a controlled substances registration at a location that is a private dwelling or residence.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute	☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September 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)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute	☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September 2025; December 2025; March 2026; June 2026.	

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)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2025; December 2025; March 2026; June 2026.

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6452	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Allowances for emergency drugs by EMS agencies	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final 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 proposed stage 10559.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Allows EMS to register for CSR in a different manner than other registrants to ease restrictions
Expected Date	December 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6460	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Crisis stabilization services and use of automated drug dispensing systems and remote dispensing systems	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt final regulatory amendments to allow use of automated drug dispensing systems and remote dispensing systems by crisis stabilization services. Regulatory action required by 2024 legislation and replaces current emergency regulations. Action dependent on executive branch review of proposed stage 10560.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Discretionary action ☒ Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	Allows broader use of ADDs and RDSs in delivery of care
Expected Date	December 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 9564.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Discretionary action ☐ Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

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 9931.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

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)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☒ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2025, December 2025, March 2026, June 2026

Board of Physical Therapy

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revision of informed consent in regulation	
Brief Overview The Board will adopt a NOIRA to amend 18VAC112-20-170 to specifically address informed consent as it relates to the practice of physical therapy.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☒ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2025

Board of Psychology

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 final 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 10595.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements for licensure by endorsement
Expected Date	June 2026

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 final changes to 18VAC140-20-37 resulting from the 2022 periodic review upon completion of executive branch review of stage 10512.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	February 2026

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 Stage 9880.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6606	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation of the Social Work Compact	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on proposed regulations as required by legislation entering Virginia into the Social Work Compact upon completion of executive branch review of Stage 10517.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Additional licensure pathway
Expected Date	June 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6371	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Acceptance of APA approved training as CE	
Brief Overview The Board will vote on final regulations accepting APA approved training as CE upon completion of executive branch review of Stage 10511.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Additional continuing education options
Expected Date	June 2026

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 final regulations related to its periodic review of 18VAC150-20. This action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of Stage 10523.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Action will contain significant regulatory reductions for licensed veterinary establishments.
Expected Date	February 2026

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 final amendments to the licensure by endorsement regulation to reduce requirements. Final action is dependent on completion of executive branch review of stage 10521.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute ☒ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements for licensure by endorsement
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6473	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Limited practice as a veterinarian trainee	
Brief Overview Pursuant to legislative directive, the Board adopted emergency regulations and a NOIRA in 2024 to allow veterinarian trainees to practice prior to receiving passing examination scores. The Board will adopt proposed stage regulatory amendments upon completion of executive branch review of stage 10340.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Increase in available practitioners prior to full licensure
Expected Date	February 2026

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6477	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulation of satellite offices of veterinary establishments	
Brief Overview Pursuant to legislative directive, the Board adopted emergency regulations and a NOIRA in 2024 to allow use of satellite offices for veterinarians in rural areas. The Board will adopt proposed stage regulatory amendments upon completion of executive branch review of stage 10347.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☒ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reduction of requirements on practitioners
Expected Date	February 2026

Department of Health Professions

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Repeal of 18VAC75-11, Public Participation Guidelines of the Board of Health Professions	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will repeal previous regulations and guidance documents of the Board of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Elimination of chapter
Expected Date	July 1, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Repeal of 18VAC75-20, Regulations Governing Practitioner Self-Referral of the Board of Health Professions	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will repeal previous regulations and guidance documents of the Board of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Elimination of chapter
Expected Date	July 1, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Repeal of 18VAC75-40, Regulations Governing Certification of Dialysis Technicians of the Board of Health Professions	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will repeal previous regulations and guidance documents of the Board of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Elimination of chapter
Expected Date	July 1, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of regulations identical to repealed 18VAC75-20, Regulations Governing Practitioner Self-Referral	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will move previous regulations of the Board of Health Professions to new chapters under the Department of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule ☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	

Expected Date	July 1, 2025	
Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adoption of regulations identical to repealed 18VAC75-40, Regulations Governing Certification of Dialysis Technicians		
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will move previous regulations of the Board of Health Professions to new chapters under the Department of Health Professions.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☒ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute	☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 1, 2025	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6388		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2023 periodic review to 18VAC76-20, Regulations Governing the Prescription Monitoring Program		
Brief Overview The agency will submit final changes to regulations governing the PMP upon completion of executive branch review of the proposed stage Stage 10792.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☒ Final Rule	☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule	☐ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☐ Action required by state statute	☒ Discretionary action

Deregulatory Component	Potential reduction of regulations
Expected Date	December 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Repeal of Guidance Document 75-2 of the Board of Health Professions	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will repeal previous regulations and guidance documents of the Board of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☒ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Elimination of guidance document
Expected Date	July 1, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Repeal of Guidance Document 75-4 of the Board of Health Professions	
Brief Overview Due to legislation eliminating the Board of Health Professions, which is effective July 1, 2025, the agency will repeal previous regulations and guidance documents of the Board of Health Professions.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	☐ NOIRA ☐ Proposed Rule ☐ Final Rule ☐ Emergency Rule ☐ Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	☐ Expedited Rule ☐ Exempt Rule ☒ Guidance Document
Legal Authority	☐ Action required by federal statute ☒ Action required by state statute ☐ Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Elimination of guidance document

Expected Date	July 1, 2025
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