TITLE 410 INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Notice of Public Comment Period for Rule Readoption

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Readopts rules in anticipation of IC 4-22-2.6, providing that an administrative rule adopted under IC 4-22-2 expires January 1 of the fifth year after the year in which the rule takes effect unless the rule contains an earlier expiration date. Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: IC 16-21-1-7

OVERVIEW

Rules to be readopted without changes are as follows:

410 IAC 15-1.1 Definitions

410 IAC 15-1.2 Compliance with Rules

410 IAC 15-1.3 Licensure Requirements

410 IAC 15-1.4 Governing Board Responsibilities

410 IAC 15-1.5 Required Hospital Services

410 IAC 15-1.6 Optional Hospital Services

410 IAC 15-1.7 Incorporation by Reference

410 IAC 15-2.1 Definitions; Ambulatory Outpatient Surgical Centers

410 IAC 15-2.2 Compliance

410 IAC 15-2.3 Licensure Requirements; Ambulatory Outpatient Surgical Centers 410 IAC 15-2.4 Governing Body

410 IAC 15-2.5 Required Ambulatory Outpatient Surgical Center Services

410 IAC 15-2.6 Optional Ambulatory Surgical Center Services

410 IAC 15-2.7 Incorporations by Reference

Rules to be repealed without changes are as follows:

None

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS UNDER IC 4-22-2.6-4

IC 16-21-1-7 allows the Indiana Department of Health's executive board to adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 pertaining to the operation and management of hospitals, ambulatory outpatient centers, and birthing centers. These rules continue to be needed to provide licensure requirements of hospitals and outpatient ambulatory surgical centers. The rules provide the minimum standards for the protection of health and safety of patients, and ensures licensed providers are following accepted health care standards and providing safe physical environments. The sections of the rule that are being readopted do not include any fees, fines, or civil penalties. The rules do the aforementioned in the least restrictive manner possible. There have been no complaints or comments received from the public regarding these rules. The rules are written for ease of comprehension and have practicable enforcement.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, the Indiana Department of Health solicits the following:

- (1) The submission of alternative ways to achieve the purpose of the rule.
- (2) The submission of suggestions for the development of draft rule language.

Comments may be submitted in one of the following ways:

(1) By mail or common carrier to the following address:

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(2) By electronic mail to rulepubliccomments@health.in.gov. Include "410 IAC 15 Comments" in the subject line. To confirm timely delivery of submitted comments, please request a document receipt when sending the electronic mail. PLEASE NOTE: Electronic mail comments will NOT be considered part of the official written comment period unless they are sent to the address indicated in this notice.

COMMENT PERIOD DEADLINE

All comments must be postmarked or time stamped not later than October 6, 2023.

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