

Readoption Review

Birthing Centers 410 IAC 27

IC 4-22-2.5-3.1(c) requires an agency to conduct a review to consider whether there are alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the rule that are less costly or less intrusive, or that would minimize the economic impact of the proposed rule on small business.

Description of Rule:

This rule provides for the licensure of birthing centers. The rule includes requirements for the physical environment, safety, operation, management, staffing, and care provided in a birthing center.

Readoption Analysis:

1) Is there a continued need for this rule? Please explain.

Yes. The rule is necessary to provide the licensure requirements of birthing centers. These are the minimum standards for the protection of the health and safety of mothers and their newborns.

2) What is the nature of any complaints or comments received from the public, including small business, concerning the rule or the implementation of the rule by the agency?

There have been no complaints or comments received from the public concerning the implementation of this rule.

3) Examine the complexity of the rule, including difficulties encountered by the agency in administering the rule and small businesses in complying with the rule.

The rule is not a complex rule. The agency has encountered no difficulties in administering the rule. We have not been made aware of any difficulties of small businesses in complying with the rule.

4) To what extent does the rule overlap, duplicate, or conflict with other federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances?

The rule does not overlap, duplicate or conflict with other federal, state or local laws, rules or ordinances. There is no federal licensing of these facilities.

5) When was the last time the rule was reviewed under this section or otherwise evaluated by the agency, and the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the area affected by this rule since that time?

The last time the rule was reviewed under this section or otherwise evaluated was 2012. There has been no need for changes due to technology, economic conditions, or other factors.

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