

Exempt Agency Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency Name:	Boards of Nursing and Medicine - Department of Health Professions
VAC Chapter Number:	18 VAC 90-30-10 et seq.
Regulation Title:	Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners
Action Title:	Revision of date reference
Date:	February 22, 2007

Where an agency is exempt in part or in whole from the requirements of the Administrative Process Act (§ 9-6.14:1 *et seq.* of the *Code of Virginia*), the agency may provide information pertaining to the action to be included on the Regulatory Town Hall. The agency must still comply the requirements of the Virginia Register Act (§ 9-6.18 *et seq.* of the *Code of Virginia*) and file the regulations with the Registrar in a style and format conforming with the *Virginia Register Form, Style and Procedure Manual.* The agency must also comply with Executive Order Fifty-Eight (99) which requires an assessment of the regulation's impact on the institution of the family and family stability.

This agency background document may be used by <u>agencies exempt pursuant to § 9-6.14:4.1(A) of the APA</u>. Note agencies exempted need not file a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action. Exempt agencies must file with the Registrar beginning at the proposed stage.

Summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, amendments to an existing regulation, or the regulation being repealed. There is no need to state each provision or amendment or restate the purpose and intent of the regulation; instead give a summary of the regulatory action and alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Boards are amending Section 120 of regulations governing the licensure of nurse practitioners to correct the title and date in a reference to the standards for practice of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists. The date referenced in the regulations is 1998, but the most recent edition of the guidelines was revised in 2005 and the title was changed to "Scope and Standards for Nurse Anesthesia Practice" rather than "Guidelines and Standards for Nurse Anesthesia Practice".

Statement of Final Agency Action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency: including the date the action was taken, the name of the agency taking the action, and the title of the regulation.

In accordance with the powers and duties of the boards, an amendment to 18 VAC 90-30-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners was adopted on by the Board of Nursing on January 23, 2007 and by the Board of Medicine on February 22, 2007. Although required to comply with the Virginia Register Act, the agency is exempt from provisions of the Administrative Process Act for the implementation of these regulations pursuant to $\S 2.2-4006$ A 3.

§ <u>2.2-4006</u>. Exemptions from requirements of this article.

A. The following agency actions otherwise subject to this chapter and § 2.2-4103 of the Virginia Register Act shall be exempted from the operation of this article:

1. Agency orders or regulations fixing rates or prices.

2. Regulations that establish or prescribe agency organization, internal practice or procedures, including delegations of authority.

3. Regulations that consist only of changes in style or form or corrections of technical errors. Each promulgating agency shall review all references to sections of the Code of Virginia within their regulations each time a new supplement or replacement volume to the Code of Virginia is published to ensure the accuracy of each section or section subdivision identification listed.

Family Impact Statement

Please provide an analysis of the regulatory action that assesses the impact on the institution of the family and family stability.

There is no impact on the family as a result of this regulatory action.