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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2016 - 2017 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

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**CHAPTER 1**: Rules and Regulations for Physician Licensing

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 3269(1), (2), (3) & (7), 3271, 3280-A

PURPOSE: This chapter sets forth licensure and renewal requirements for medical doctors. The proposed revisions to this chapter include clarifying the licensure, registration, notification and continuing medical education requirements for physicians and defining the duties of the Board Secretary.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2017

AFFECTED PARTIES: Applicants for licensure/renewal of licensure and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

**CHAPTER 2**: Joint Rule Regarding Physician Assistants

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §§ 3269(7), 3270-E

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure that sets forth licensure, registration, scope of practice, supervision, notification and continuing medical education requirements for physician assistants who are supervised by either allopathic or osteopathic physicians. Proposed revisions to this chapter include clarifying the continuing medical education requirements for physician assistants.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2017

AFFECTED PARTIES: Applicants for licensure/renewal of licensure and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

**CHAPTER 6**: Telemedicine Standards of Practice

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: The proposed joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure will establish standards for the practice of medicine using telemedicine.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: In process; anticipated completion 2016

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

**CHAPTER 21: Use of Controlled Substances for Treatment of Pain**

STATUTORY BASIS: Title 32 M.R.S. §§ 2562 and 3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: This chapter is a joint rule with the Board of Osteopathic Licensure, the Board of Licensure in Medicine, The Board of Dental Examiners, the Board of Nursing, and the Board of Podiatric Medicine to insure adequate relief of pain to the citizens of Maine. Proposed revisions to this chapter include establishing standards for proper pain management, including but not limited to, treatment plan, documentation and other “universal precautions” as well as continuing medical education for prescribing opioids.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2017

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated

**CHAPTER XX**: Professional Standards

STATUTORY BASIS: 32 M.R.S. §3269(3)&(7)

PURPOSE: The Board may develop and propose a rule to define unprofessional conduct by physicians and physician assistants.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: Anticipated completion 2017

AFFECTED PARTIES: Physicians, physician assistants, and patients

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated