

Report From Agency

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING : REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : CR 18-072
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD:**

I. THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule, including the analysis and text, is attached.

II. REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE FORMS:

N/A

III. FISCAL ESTIMATE AND EIA:

The Fiscal Estimate and EIA is attached.

IV. DETAILED STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BASIS AND PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE, INCLUDING HOW THE PROPOSED RULE ADVANCES RELEVANT STATUTORY GOALS OR PURPOSES:

Current rules require a physician who holds a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration number to complete 2 of the 30 required hours of continuing medical education from a Board-approved educational course or program related to the opioid prescribing guidelines issued by the Board. As this requirement applies only to the renewal date occurring on November 1, 2019, the proposed rules establish a requirement for the completion of continuing education hours related to opioid prescribing for the renewal date occurring on November 1, 2021.

V. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND THE BOARD'S RESPONSES, EXPLANATION OF MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED RULES PROMPTED BY PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Medical Examining Board held a public hearing on December 19, 2018.

Mark Grapentine, representing the Wisconsin Medical Society (WMS), provided testimony at the hearing. Mr. Grapentine expressed that the WMS supports the proposed rules, assuming the Board continues its flexibility in approving educational courses and programs.

The Board did not receive any other written or verbal comments.

VI. RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Comment 2:

At this time the Board is not certain whether the requirement will continue to apply in future renewal periods.

All other Legislative Council recommendations have been incorporated into the proposed rule.

VII. REPORT FROM THE SBRRB AND FINAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS:

N/A