STATEMENT OF SCOPE

ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

Rule No.:	AT 4
Relating to:	Protocol Requirements
Rule Type:	Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only):

N/A

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of the proposed rule is to update the requirements relating to evaluation and treatment protocols for Athletic Trainers, as well as bring them in line with current practice in the profession.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter AT 4 provides the requirements for evaluation and treatment protocols. The Board has identified a need to update these requirements. The alternative to making these updates is that protocol requirements will continue to be outdated and burdensome for licensees to comply with.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 15.085 (5) (b), Stats. states that "[Each affiliated credentialing board] shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession."

Section 448.9525 (2), Stats., states that "subject to s. 448.956 (1), (4) and (5), the affiliated credentialing board and the medical examining board shall jointly promulgate rules relating to the minimum requirements of a protocol required under s. 448.956 (1)."

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

Approximately 60 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Athletic Trainers credentialed in Wisconsin and those looking into entering the profession

7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule:

None.

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

None to minimal. This rule is not likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses.

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