

# STATEMENT OF SCOPE

## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

Rule No.: PA 4

Relating to: Physical Examinations

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 unprofessional conduct requirements in Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter PA 4 on the topic of standards of care for physical examinations.

**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 Chapters PA 4 currently outlines unprofessional conduct requirements. In an effort to conform with the rules of the Medical Examining Board, the Physician Assistant Affiliated Credentialing Board will review standards of care and conduct for physical examinations and make changes to the Administrative Code accordingly.

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

Section 15.085 (5) (b) 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 448.973 (1) states that: “

(a) The board shall promulgate rules implementing s. 448.9785.

(b) The board shall promulgate rules establishing continuing education requirements for physician assistants.

(c) The board may promulgate other rules to carry out the purposes of this subchapter, including any of the following

1. Rules defining what constitutes unprofessional conduct for physician assistants for purposes of s. 448.978 (2) (d).

2. Rules under s. 448.977 (2).”

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

80 hours

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

Physician Assistant credential holders and their employers.

**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):**

The proposed rule is likely to have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

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