



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
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Rules and Regulations Filing Form

1. Agency Name and Address

Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals, Department of
 Barry Hall, 14 Harrington Rd., Cranston, RI 02920

2. Title of Rule

Rules and Regulations for the Licensing of Behavioral Healthcare Organizations

3. Statutory Source of Authority

Rhode Island General Laws 40.1-24-1 et. seq.

4. Concise Explanatory Statement - §42-35-2.6

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5. Type of Filing

Emergency Rules

- A1. Emergency 120-day initial - §42-35-2.10
 Adoption
 Amendment of ERLID: 7341
 Repeal of ERLID:

- A2. Emergency 60-day renewal - §42-35-2.10
 Adoption
 Amendment
 Repeal

Indicate ERLID of 120-day initial:

Brief Statement of Reason for Finding Imminent Peril §42-35-2.10:

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Agency Head Signature: _____

Governor/Governor's Designee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Final Rules

- B1. Amendment - §42-35-3(a) B2. Adoption - §42-35-3(a) B3. Repeal - §42-35-3(a)
 C. Technical Revision D. Direct Final Rule - §42-35-2.11

If B1 or C, please indicate new, amended, deleted, or revised sections:

6. Notice and Hearing Information

Date of Public Notice - §42-35-2.8: Notice Not Required
 Date of Public Hearing - §42-35-2.8: Hearing Not Required
 End of Comment Period - §42-35-2.8 :

7. Agency Additional Information - Web Page

<http://www.bhddh.ri.gov>

8. Certification

I hereby certify that the attached rules and regulations were adopted in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (42-35) and that they are true copies of this Department, attest,

Name

Title

Notary Public

Subscribed and sworn before me

this _____ day of _____, _____