



## Rhode Island Department of Health Regulatory Agenda

### *Rules Promulgated January 15, 2008 through June 16, 2008:*

	<i>Title of Regulation</i>	<i>Type of Filing</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>ERLID #</i>
1.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Speech Pathologists & Audiologists (R5-48-SPA)	Permanent	January 30, 2008	5012
2.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Newborn Metabolic, Endocrine, and Hemoglobinopathy Screening Program and the Newborn Hearing loss Screening Program (R23-13-MET/HRG)	Permanent	February 5, 2008	5014
3.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Pharmacists, Pharmacies and Manufacturers, Wholesalers and Distributors (R5-19.1-PHAR)	Permanent	February 14, 2008	5042
4.	Rules and Regulations Related to the Medical Marijuana Program (R21-28.6-MMP)	Permanent	February 14, 2008	5030
5.	WIC Plan (R23-1-WIC)	Permanent	February 20, 2008	5052
6.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Clinical Social Workers & Independent Clinical Social Workers (R5-39.1-CSW/ICSW)	Permanent	March 23, 2008	5084
7.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Rhode Island Certificates of Registration for Nursing Assistants and the Approval of Nursing Assistant Training Programs (R23-17.9-NA)	Permanent	March 25, 2008	5082
8.	Rules and Regulations for the Licensing of Nurses and Standards for the Approval of Basic Nursing Education Programs (R5-34-NUR/ED)	Permanent	April 16, 2008	5128
9.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Licensing of Psychologists (R5-44-PSY)	Permanent	May 5, 2008	5136
10.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Drinking Water (R46-13-DWQ)	Permanent	May 22, 2008	5171
11.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Fee Structure for Clinical Laboratory Services Provided by the Department of Health Laboratory (R23-1-3-FFS)	Permanent	June 9, 2008	5197
12.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Embalmers, Funeral Directors and Funeral Service Establishments (R5-33.2-EMB)	Permanent	June 23, 2008	5254
13.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Mental Health Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists (R5-63.2-MHC/MFT)	Permanent	June 23, 2008	5240
14.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants (R5-40-PT/PTA)	Permanent	June 23, 2008	5244



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### Rules Anticipated June 16, 2008 – January 15, 2009:

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1.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Rhode Island Certificates of Registration for Nursing Assistants and the Approval of Nursing Assistant Training Programs (R23-17.9-NA)	Increase the number of hours for nursing assistant training programs to 120 (up from 100 hours presently) effective September 1, 2008; training programs whose examination pass rates fall below seventy-five percent (75%) for two consecutive training programs for first time test-takers will have to submit a plan of correction to the Department.	Chapter 23-17.9 RIGL	July 2008	Nursing assistants, health care facilities, professional associations	Charles Alexandre, Chief, Office of Health Professions Regulation, 401-222-2828 <a href="mailto:Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov">Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov</a>
2.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Private Drinking Water Systems (R-23-1-5.3-PDW)	New regulations to be promulgated pursuant to section 23-1-5.3 related to private drinking water systems	Section 23-1-5.3 RIGL	July 2008	Consumers, real estate developers	June Swallow, Chief, Office of Drinking Water Quality, 401-222-6867, <a href="mailto:June.Swallow@health.ri.gov">June.Swallow@health.ri.gov</a>
3.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Reporting of Communicable, Occupational and Environmental Diseases (R23-10-DIS)	Insert carbon monoxide poisoning reporting, all latent tuberculosis cases, and change HIV to name reporting in accordance with applicable statutes	Chapter 23-10 <i>et seq.</i>	July 2008	Primary care providers, patients	Robert Crausman, MD, MS, Chief of the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, 401-222-3855 <a href="mailto:Robert.Crausman@health.ri.gov">Robert.Crausman@health.ri.gov</a>
4.	Rules and Regulations for the Licensure and Discipline of Physicians (R5-37-MD/DO)	Insert requirements related to licensure by endorsement.	Chapter 5-37 RIGL	August 2008	Physicians	Robert Crausman, MD, MS, Chief of the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, 401-222-3855 <a href="mailto:Robert.Crausman@health.ri.gov">Robert.Crausman@health.ri.gov</a>
5.	Rules and Regulations for Determination of Need for New Health Care Equipment and New Institutional Health Services (R23-15-CON)	Define "one for one equipment replacement"; amend the public meeting requirements; change the review requirement for cost overruns.	Chapter 23-15 RIGL	August 2008	Health care facilities, health care providers, attorneys, advocates	Michael K. Dexter, Chief, Office of Health Systems Development, 401-222-2788 <a href="mailto:Michael.Dexter@health.ri.gov">Michael.Dexter@health.ri.gov</a>



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6.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Hospitals (R23-17-HOSP)	Insert new requirements related to high-risk cancer surgeries, medical record maintenance, advance practice clinical credentialing, hospital facility staffing, and bring into conformity with the statute.	Chapter 23-17 RIGL	September 2008	Hospitals, patients, consumers, professional associations	Raymond Rusin, Chief, Office of Facilities Regulation 401-222-2566 <a href="mailto:Raymond.Rusin@health.ri.gov">Raymond.Rusin@health.ri.gov</a>
7.	Rules and Regulations Relating to Emergency Medical Services (R23-4.1-EMS)	Incorporate requirements related to Public Law 06-224 and bring regulations into conformity with current standards of practice	Chapter 23-4.1 RIGL	September 2008	EMTs, hospitals, patients	Charles Alexandre, Chief, Office of Health Professions Regulation, 401-222-2828 <a href="mailto:Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov">Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov</a>
8.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing Massage Therapists, Masseurs and Masseuses and Licensing Massage Parlors (R23-20.8-MP)	Bring regulations into conformity with the statute, including Public Law 05-411 related to criminal background checks	Chapter 23-20.8 RIGL	October 2008	Massage therapists, massage therapy establishments, consumers	Charles Alexandre, Chief, Office of Health Professions Regulation, 401-222-2828 <a href="mailto:Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov">Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov</a>
9.	Rules and Regulations for Radon Control (R23-61-RC)	Insert radon surcharge; "housekeeping" amendments	Chapter 23-61 RIGL	October 2008	Licensees	Robert Vanderslice, Ph.D., Team Leader, Healthy Environment Team, 401-222-7766 <a href="mailto:Robert.Vanderslice@health.ri.gov">Robert.Vanderslice@health.ri.gov</a>
10.	Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Drinking Water (R46-13-DWQ)	Insert section CFR 141.25 into the regs at Appendix I, Section II, Chemistry, Part (D)(1); other changes as necessary to be in conformity with federal drinking water standards.	Chapter 46-13 RIGL	October 2008	Public drinking water authorities, consumers	June Swallow, PE, Chief of the Office of Drinking Water Quality, 401-222-6867 <a href="mailto:June.Swallow@health.ri.gov">June.Swallow@health.ri.gov</a>



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11.	Rules and Regulations for Licensing of Midwives (R23-13-MID)	Revise continuing education requirements to be in sync with the licensure renewal cycle,	Chapter 23-13 RIGL	October 2008	Licensees	Charles Alexandre, Chief, Office of Health Professions Regulation, 401-222-2828 <a href="mailto:Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov">Charles.Alexandre@health.ri.gov</a>
12.	Rules and Regulations for the Control of Radiation (R23-1.3-RAD)	Bring regulations into conformity with federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission requirements.	Chapter 23-1.3 RIGL	November 2008	Licensees, health care facilities, professional associations	Marie Stoeckel, Chief of Staff, Office of Facilities Regulation, 401-222-2566, <a href="mailto:Marie.Stoeckel@health.ri.gov">Marie.Stoeckel@health.ri.gov</a>
13.	Rules and Regulations for the Licensure of Adult Day Care Programs (R23-1-52-ADC)	Adopt new regulations to define prevailing standards for licensed adult day care programs in Rhode Island.	Section 23-1-52 RIGL	November 2008	Adult day care programs, patients, consumers, professional associations, advocacy groups	Raymond Rusin, Chief, Office of Facilities Regulation, 401-222-2566 <a href="mailto:Raymond.Rusin@health.ri.gov">Raymond.Rusin@health.ri.gov</a>

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