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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Occupational Licensure Board of Registration in Podiatry

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 2, that the Board of Registration in Podiatry (Board) within the Division of Occupational Licensure (Division), will hold a public hearing to receive comments on proposed amendments to the Board's regulations at 249 CMR 3.00: *Application and Licensure*, and 249 CMR 4.00: *Practice of Podiatric Medicine*. Pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by M.G.L. c. 13, §§ 12A - 12C, M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 13 - 22, and M.G.L. c. 30A, the Board is proposing to amend its regulations to:

- clarify examination requirements for licensees;
- ease the continuing education requirement for individuals seeking to reinstate their podiatry license; and
- rescind language relating to the prescribing of hydrocodone-only extended release medication that is not in an abuse deterrent form.

The hearing will be on Tuesday June 14, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held virtually using TEAMS, a digital meeting program. Information on participating in the virtual hearing is set forth below:

Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer or mobile app <u>Click here to join the meeting</u> Or call in (audio only) +1 857-327-9245,,286542834# United States, Boston Phone Conference ID: 286 542 834#

Speakers are requested to provide a written copy of their testimony. The Board encourages all interested parties to submit written testimony electronically to the following address: <u>podiatry@mass.gov</u>. Parties who are unable to submit electronic testimony should mail submissions to: Board of Registration in Podiatry, 1000 Washington St., Suite 710, Boston, Massachusetts 02118. All written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. A copy of the Notice of Public Hearing and the proposed amendments to Board regulations may be viewed on the Board's website at: <u>Board of Registration in Podiatry | Mass.gov</u> or obtained from the Board by calling <u>617-701-8717</u> or by sending an email to <u>podiatry@mass.gov</u>.

Reasonable accommodations or modifications will be provided to individuals with disabilities to participate in the meeting taking place on the date listed above. All requests should be directed to Cheryl Yebba by calling 617-701-8711 or TTY/TDD: (617) 701-8645 by no later than a week prior to the meeting. While the Board will attempt to honor all requests, those requests received less than a week prior to the meeting may not be provided due to feasibility.

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