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**Notice Of Public Hearing**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §2, that the **Drug Control Program** within the Department of Public Health will hold a public hearing regarding a new regulation: **105 CMR 775.000: *Certified Medication Aides In Long Term Care Facilities*.**

The proposed regulation implements the requirements stated in M.G.L. c. 111, § 72W½, as inserted by section 16 of Chapter 197 of the Acts of 2024: *An Act to Improve Quality and Oversight of Long-Term Care*, creating a new certified medication aide role to be deployed by long-term care facilities in Massachusetts. The hearing will be concurrent with the public hearing by the Executive Office for Administration and Finance, together with the Drug Control Program, regarding the fees associated with the new profession of certified medication aide, 801 CMR 4.02 (775): *Fees for Licenses, Permits, and Services to be Charged by State Agencies.*

The public hearing will be held at **10:00 am on Monday, August 11, 2025.** The hearing will be conducted on a **moderated conference call**. The information for the moderated conference call is:

Dial-in Telephone Number: 800-857-4849

Participant Passcode: 7189063

A copy of the proposed regulation 105 CMR 775.000: *Certified Medication Aides In Long Term Care Facilities* may be viewed on the Department’s website at [www.mass.gov/dph/proposed-regulations](http://www.mass.gov/dph/proposed-regulations) or requested from the Office of the General Counsel by calling 617-624-5220.

Speakers who testify at the public hearing are requested to provide a copy of their oral testimony. The Department encourages all interested parties to submit testimony electronically to the following address: Reg.Testimony@mass.gov, or by mail to William Anderson, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Public Health, 250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. When electronically submitting comments, type “DCP Regulations” in the subject line and attach a Word document with your comments or type your comments in the body of your email. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address.

The Department will post all testimony that complies with these instructions on its website. **All comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 11, 2025**. All comments received by the Department may be released in response to a request for public records.

If you are deaf or hard of hearing, or are a person with a disability who requires accommodation, please contact Alex Gomez at least 5 days before the hearing at Tel # 617-624-5928, Fax # 617-624-5075, email Alex.Gomez@mass.gov, or TTY # 617-624-6001.

