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**Notice of Hearing for Amendment of Regulations of the Board of Health**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION**

LCB File No. R071-26

Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 449

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Board of Health will hold a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) in accordance with NAC 449.0302 and NRS 439.100. This public hearing will be held in conjunction with the State Board of Health meeting on June 5, 2026.

The State Board of Health meeting will be held by videoconference beginning at 9:00 a.m. on June 5, 2026, at the following locations:

**Physical Locations**

Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
Hearing Room 303  
4150 Technology Way  
Carson City, NV 89706

Southern Nevada Health District  
Red Rock Trail Rooms A & B  
208 S. Decatur Blvd.  
Las Vegas, NV 89107

**Virtual Information**

**Meeting Link**

**Microsoft Teams**

**[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_OTUwY2Q2NGQtNjJiYS00NGU2LWI1NjltMjcyMGJjNWU3NDcx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%22e4a340e6-b89e-4e68-8eaa-1544d2703980%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%22768e443d-3be6-48f0-9bb0-7e72f1276b8d%22%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_OTUwY2Q2NGQtNjJiYS00NGU2LWI1NjltMjcyMGJjNWU3NDcx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%22e4a340e6-b89e-4e68-8eaa-1544d2703980%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%22768e443d-3be6-48f0-9bb0-7e72f1276b8d%22%7d)**

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**Join By Phone**

775-321-6111

Conference ID: 239 762 069#

LCB File No. R071-26 addresses:

- Increase licensing fees for most of the facility types licensed under NAC 449 by seven percent (7%).
- Increase monetary penalties within chapter NAC 449 by seven percent (7%).

On March 17, 2026, the Health Care Purchasing and Compliance Division assessed small business impacts by distributing an impact questionnaire and the proposed regulations to interested parties, ListServ subscribers, and industry representatives. The proposed regulations were also posted on the Health Care Quality and Compliance website. A workshop is scheduled for May 13, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. to hear additional comments from affected businesses.

**1. Anticipated effects on the business regulated by the proposed regulations:**

*A. Adverse effects:*

- i. Direct adverse effects: Increase licensing fees to seven percent (7%). Some small providers may need to reallocate budgets to absorb the increase amid broader cost pressures (e.g., staffing, administrative costs, inflation).
- ii. Indirect adverse effects: Possible administrative and operational adjustments as businesses incorporate the increase into annual budgets; the increase is intended to be modest.

*B. Beneficial effects:*

- Improving regulatory capacity will support more consistent inspections, complaint investigations, and licensing processing, which businesses rely on.
- Enhancing oversight may reduce compliance errors, survey deficiencies, and operational disruptions.
- Increasing standardization and modernized systems may support long-term stability and operational clarity for providers.

*C. Immediate effects:*

- Immediate financial impact in the form of increased licensing fees.
- Businesses may need to adjust annual budgets or operational plans to accommodate the increased cost.
- Some providers may experience short-term administrative adjustments as they prepare for the updated fee structure.

D. *Long-term effects:*

- Greater regulatory consistency, improved communication, and more efficient licensing and survey processes due to strengthened agency capacity.
- Reduced likelihood of delays in inspections, backlogs in licensing applications, or interruptions in regulatory services.
- Improved statewide health and safety infrastructure, benefiting compliant providers through a more stable operating environment.

2. **Anticipated effects on the public:**

A. *Adverse effects:*

- Potential reduction in services or service availability if some small providers adjust operations in response to cost pressures.
- Some businesses may pass on increased operational costs to clients, which could impact individuals on fixed or low incomes.

B. *Beneficial effects:* Beneficial effects on the public include:

- Strengthened oversight will support improved quality of care, safety, and accountability within licensed facilities.
- Timelier inspections and investigations directly enhance the health of facility residents, patients, and the vulnerable, and enhance consumer confidence.
- A more stable regulatory system reduces risks associated with delays, compliance failures, and service disruptions.

C. *Immediate effects:*

- Minimal immediate effects on the public.
- Public benefits from continued regulatory oversight without interruption.

D. *Long-term effects:*

- Enhanced consumer protection and safer licensed facilities due to adequately resourced inspections and regulatory functions.
- Increased public trust in the healthcare and residential facility system as stronger oversight reduces adverse events and ensures consistent quality standards.
- Long-term improvement in statewide health and safety infrastructure.

3. **Costs Associated with the Change**

- The proposed regulation increases existing fees by seven percent (7%).
- Based on an estimated \$10.6 million annual fee base, the total additional annual revenue is approximately \$742,000.
- Costs to individual businesses vary by licensure category but generally reflect a seven percent (7%) adjustment.

- No significant additional administrative or enforcement-related costs to the agency are anticipated.
- The agency reports the increase is below the 39% cumulative inflation over the last 15 years and is needed to maintain operations (e.g., inspections, complaint investigations, and system modernization).

#### **4. Comparison of State Proposed Regulation to the Federal Regulations**

- There are no known duplicative, overlapping, or more stringent federal regulations governing the specific licensing fees addressed in the proposed regulation.

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence in excess of two typed 8.5 in. x 11 in. pages must submit the material to the Board’s Secretary, to be received no later than May 21, 2026, at the following address:

Secretary, State Board of Health  
Division of Public and Behavioral Health  
4150 Technology Way, Suite 300  
Carson City, NV 89706  
[stateBOH@health.nv.gov](mailto:stateBOH@health.nv.gov)

Written comments, testimony, or documentary evidence in excess of two typed pages will not be accepted at the time of the hearing. The purpose of this requirement is to allow Board members adequate time to review the documents.

A copy of the notice and the proposed regulations is on file for inspection and/or may be copied at the following locations during normal business hours:

- Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health - 4150 Technology Way, Suite #300, Carson City, NV 89706
- Nevada Health Authority – 4070 Silver Sage Dr. Carson City, NV 89701
- Nevada Health Authority – 9850 Double R Blvd., Suite 200, Reno, NV 89521
- Nevada Health Authority/Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance – 727 Fairview Dr., Suite E, Carson City, NV 89701
- Nevada Health Authority/Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance – 500 E Warm Springs Rd., Suite 200, Las Vegas, NV 89119
- Nevada State Library and Archives – 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, NV, 89701
- Southern Nevada Health District Red Rock Trail Rooms A & B – 208 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89107

A copy of the regulations and the small business impact statement can be found online at:

<https://www.hcqc.nv.gov/notices/>

A copy of the public hearing notice can also be found on the Nevada Legislature's web page:

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/>

Copies may be obtained in person, by mail, or by calling the Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance at:

Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E  
Carson City, NV 89701  
(775) 684-1030  
[PIO@nvha.nv.gov](mailto:PIO@nvha.nv.gov)

Copies may also be obtained from the Nevada State Library at the address listed below:

Nevada State Library & Archives  
100 N. Stewart Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.