

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND RULES**  
**THE GEORGIA BOARD FOR PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE**

**Rule Chapter 195**

**TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce (hereinafter “Board”) proposes amendments to the following Georgia Board for Physician Workforce Rules (hereinafter “proposed amendments.”):

**Rule Chapter 195-13 “New Program Development”**

This notice, together with an exact copy of the rules including the proposed amendments and a synopsis of the proposed amendments, is being forwarded to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on an interested parties list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the rules including the proposed amendments, and a synopsis of the proposed amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA, 30303. These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce’s web page at [www.gbpw.georgia.gov](http://www.gbpw.georgia.gov).

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

**Rule Chapter 195-13 “New Program Development”**

**Purpose of Amendments:** The purpose of this amendment is to provide information for Fellowship Training Programs for MD, DO, MD PhD, or PhD.

**Main Feature:** The main feature of the amendment is developing criteria for fellowship training programs.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

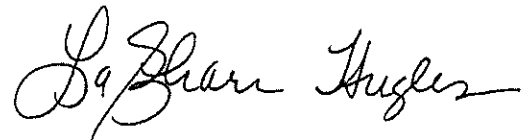
A public hearing is scheduled to begin at **9:00 a.m. on October 25, 2018** at **Mercer University, Penfield Hall, 1501 Mercer University Drive, Macon, GA 30127** to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed amendments. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received prior to October 15, 2018. Written comments should be addressed to Executive Director of the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce 2 Peachtree Street NW, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. FAX: 404-656-2596. You may email your comments to [yspeight@dch.ga.gov](mailto:yspeight@dch.ga.gov).

At the end of the Public Hearing the proposed rule amendments will be considered by the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce at its meeting scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on October 25, 2018 at **Mercer University, Penfield Hall, 1501 Mercer University Drive, Macon, GA 30127**. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce has the authority to adopt the proposed rule amendments pursuant to authority contained in Authority O.C.G.A § 31-34-5.

For further information, contact the Board office at 404-232-7972. This notice is given in compliance to with O.C.G.A § 50-13-4

Posted:

This 30th day of July 2018.



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## Chapter 195-13 NEW PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

### **Rule 195-13-.01 General Definitions**

- (1) "Graduate Medical Education Training Program" is a multi-year training program after graduation from medical school designed to provide the ambulatory and hospital experience required to train physicians as delineated by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) and/or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA).
- (2) "Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education" is the body established to accredit allopathic graduate medical education training programs.
- (3) "American Osteopathic Association" is the body established to accredit osteopathic graduate medical education training programs.
- (4) "Qualified Hospital" means a hospital, or associated hospitals, which meet(s) the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and/or American Osteopathic Association requirements for a critical mass and mix of hospital patients, medical staff, facilities, and financial support adequate to sustain a quality program of physician training.
- (5) "Developing Program" means a proposed Graduate Medical Education Training Program at a qualified hospital which meets the accreditation requirements of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and/or the American Osteopathic Association.
- (6) "Fellowship Training Program" is an additional training program after graduation from a graduate medical education residency training program, which allows a MD, DO, MD PhD, or PhD to develop a particular expertise that may have a related subspecialty board.

### **Rule 195-13-.02 Developing Graduate Medical Education Programs**

- (1) For the development of new Graduate Medical Education Training Programs, the Board requires the following conditions be met:
  - (a) Qualified hospital must provide documentation to the Board that the hospital or associated hospital(s) have a critical mass and mix of hospital patients, medical staff, facilities, and financial support adequate to sustain a quality program of physician training.
  - (b) Agreement by the hospital administration and medical staff to provide resources necessary to satisfy the requirements for Program accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and/or the American Osteopathic Association.
  - (c) State funds are appropriated to the Board by the General Assembly for the purpose of developing new graduate medical education programs.
- (2) Payment Process. Based on submission and approval of documentation of expenditures by the hospital, the Board shall authorize disbursement of funds to reimburse the hospital, up to the contracted amount, for costs relating to the development of training programs for physicians.

- (3) Limitation for Developmental Funding. New Program Development funding will be limited to no more than two (2) years unless otherwise approved by the Board and state funds are appropriated for such purpose.

**Rule 195-13-.03 Developing Fellowship Programs**

- (1) For the development of new medical Fellowship Training Programs, the Board requires the following conditions be met:
- (a) Qualified hospital must provide documentation to the Board that the hospital or associated hospital(s) have a critical mass and mix of hospital patients, medical staff, facilities, and financial support adequate to sustain a quality program of physician training.
  - (b) State funds are appropriated to the Board by the General Assembly for the purpose of developing new MD, DO, MD PhD, or PhD fellowship programs.
- (2) Payment Process. Based on submission and approval of documentation of expenditures by the hospital, the Board shall authorize disbursement of funds to reimburse the hospital, up to the contracted amount, for costs relating to the development of fellowship training programs for physicians.
- (3) Limitation for Developmental Funding. New Program Development funding will be limited to no more than two (2) years unless otherwise approved by the Board and state funds are appropriated for such purpose.

**Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. 49-10-4.**