

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

CHAPTER 850

OREGON BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

FILING CAPTION: Licensee Self-Directed Education – Structured Programs and Activities Eligible for Continuing Education Credit

LAST DAY AND TIME TO OFFER COMMENT TO AGENCY: 06/21/2024 1:00 PM

NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

To clarify and revise Licensee Self-Directed Education – Structured Programs and Activities Eligible for Continuing Education Credit

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

Board meeting minutes and public comment on OBNM website

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE:

Rule will maintain and expand education opportunities for naturopathic physicians in Oregon

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Positive economic impact to the Board of Naturopathic Medicine by minimizing the paid staff and Board hours required to review out of state continuing education from for-profit companies that provide minimal benefit to Oregon licensees.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

No Board cost for compliance, no impact or cost of compliance to Oregon based licensees and Oregon based small businesses.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

Board considered all public comment received by small businesses in light of the excessive cost and resources required for Board staff, board members and licensure fee increases that would be necessary under the previous rule to develop this efficient and equitable amended rule that benefits Oregon licensees.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?The Board developed reviewed the rules in public meetings, interested parties attended

public meetings. All Board meeting minutes and public comment was posted / available for review on the Board website. All comments were considered when developing the amended rule.

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AMEND: 850-040-0230

RULE TITLE: Licensee Self-Directed Education – Structured Programs and Activities Eligible for Continuing Education Credit

RULE SUMMARY: Revised and clarified Licensee Self-Directed Education – Structured Programs and Activities Eligible for Continuing Education Credit based on public comment Jan-April 2024

RULE TEXT:

(1) Completed Structured Continuing Education Programs

(a) Courses must meet the criteria set per 850-040-210(3)

(b) Licensees must submit approval requests to the Board no more than 30 days from the date of completion.

(c) Active Licensees may not submit approval requests to the Board after satisfying the 32 hours of continuing education as required in 850-040-210(1)

(d) Inactive Licensees may not submit approval requests to the Board after satisfying the 10 hours of continuing education as required in 850-040-0210(2).

(2) Completed Self-Directed Activity: Hours, Approval

(a) Ten (10) hours accepted annually from combination of activities listed in section (3)

(b) Hours limited to maximum hours stated per activity, excess hours will not be accepted toward annual renewal

(c) Licensees must submit approval requests to the Board no more than 30 days from the date of completion.

(3) Licensee Self-Directed Activity List: Criteria and Required Materials

(a) Peer reviewed publication, authorship, or review, maximum of three (3) total hours. Subject of the article must be in the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon. Licensees must provide the Board with the following:

(A) Authorship:

(i) Copy or excerpt (up to ten (10) pages maximum) of the published article, including the name and issue of the peer reviewed publication,

(ii) Written description (up to five (5) pages maximum) of how research, development and content of the published article support, develop, and increase the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians.

(iii) Written record of the number of hours spent on research, development and writing the publication

(B) Review and Report:

(i) Copy or excerpt (up to ten (10) pages maximum) of the published article, including the name and issue of the peer reviewed publication

(ii) Written summary (up to five (5) pages) describing how the content of the article supports, develops, and increases the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians

(iii) Written record of the dates and number of the hours spent reviewing and summarizing material,

(b) Formal protocol writing for a health care facility or government health care agency, maximum of three (3) total hours. Subject of the formal protocol must be in the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon. Licensees must submit the following:

(A) Copy or excerpt (up to ten (10) pages maximum) of the completed formal protocol

(B) Written description (up to five (5) pages maximum) of how the research, development, content and writing of the formal protocol supports, develops, and increases the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians

(C) Certificate/letter of completion with date protocol was finished, total number of hours spent on research, development, and protocol writing signed by licensee's supervisor, submitted

(c) Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations (NPLEX) Committee for the development and writing of the NPLEX examinations, maximum three (3) total hours. Licensees must submit the following:

(A) Written description (up to five (5) pages maximum) of how exam research, development and writing support, develop, and increase the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians

(B) Certificate/letter of completion with date of completion, and total number of hours spent on research, development, and writing signed by licensee's supervisor or NPLEX designee,

(d) Research related to the advancement of naturopathic medicine, for a recognized educational or

medical institution or organization; maximum of six (6) total hours. Licensee must submit the following:

(A) Attestation Licensee does not have financial conflicts or fiduciary relationships with the educational or medical institution or organization where licensee is conducting the research

(B) Written description (maximum ten (10) pages) how licensee's research is in the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon, and supports, develops, and increases the knowledge, skills of naturopathic physicians

(C) Certificate/letter of completion with date research was completed, total number of hours spent on research and development, signed by licensee's supervisor,

(e) Presentation of a structured continuing education program in the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon; maximum of six (6) total hours. Licensee must submit the following:

(A) Declaration the presentation was developed and created in the calendar year applying for credit, and no portion of the presentation has been used in previous years.

(B) Excerpt of presentation materials (up to ten (10) pages maximum), agenda, schedule, and total length of the presentation

(C) Written description (up to ten (10) pages maximum) how research, development and content of the presentation supports, develops, and increases the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians

(D) Written record of hours spent researching, developing the content of the presentation, and length of presentation submitted total number of hours spent on research and development, signed by licensee's supervisor

(f) Teaching an accredited graduate level course in the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon; maximum six (6) total hours. Licensee must submit the following:

(A) Declaration the course material was developed and created in the calendar year applying for credit, and no portion of the course material has been used in previous years.

(B) Excerpt of course materials (up to ten (10) pages maximum), syllabus, schedule, with the name of the accredited institution and faculty supervisor

(C) Written description (up to ten (10) pages maximum) how research, development and content of the course supports, develops, and increases the knowledge, skills, and professionalism of naturopathic physicians

(D) Certificate/letter of completion with total number of hours spent on research and development of course, signed by licensee's faculty supervisor

(g) Preceptorship with an Oregon licensed naturopathic physician or doctorate level clinician with a minimum of five (5) years of clinical experience, maximum six (6) total hours. Preceptorship must be in scope of practice of naturopathic medicine in the State of Oregon. Licensee must submit the following:

(A) Name of medical facility, preceptor, and licensee's direct supervisor

(B) Certificate/letter of completion with a record of attendance and total hours licensee participated in the preceptor program, signed by licensee's preceptor/ supervisor,

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 685.125

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 685.102

