

Board Rule Changes - December 18, 2011

The following is a summary of the changes effective December 4, 2011. Click [here](#) for the complete board rules:

Chapter 171. POSTGRADUATE TRAINING PERMITS

22 TAC §171.6

The Texas Medical Board (Board) adopts the amendment to §171.6, concerning Duties of Program Directors to Report, with minor changes to the proposed text as published in the September 16, 2011, issue of the Texas Register (36 TexReg 6112). The text of the rule will be republished.

The amendment to §171.6 provides that a postgraduate training program director does not have to report to the Texas Medical Board if a program participant is on leave from a program based on military leave or family leave not related to the PIT holder's medical condition.

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Chapter 180. TEXAS PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM AND REHABILITATION ORDERS

22 TAC §180.4

The Texas Medical Board (Board) adopts the amendment to §180.4, concerning Operation of Program, without changes to the proposed text as published in the September 30, 2011, issue of the Texas Register (36 TexReg 6422) and will not be republished.

The amendment provides that all or part of the annual fee for program participation may be waived by the governing board and establishes procedures for when the medical director requests advice from a case review panel.

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Chapter 190. DISCIPLINARY GUIDELINES

22 TAC §§190.8, 190.14

The Texas Medical Board (Board) adopts amendments to §190.8, concerning Violation Guidelines, and §190.14, concerning Disciplinary Sanction Guidelines. Section 190.8 is adopted without changes to the proposed text as published in the

September 30, 2011, issue of the Texas Register (36 TexReg 6432) and will not be republished. Section 190.14 is adopted with nonsubstantive changes to the proposed text as published in the September 30, 2011, issue of the Texas Register (36 TexReg 6434). The text of the rule will be republished.

The amendment to §190.8 requires a physician that performs autopsies to obtain informed consent from a patient's authorized representatives.

The amendment to §190.14 requires the Board to revoke a physician's license if placed on deferred adjudication, community supervision for an offense related to the sexual or aggravated assault of a child, continuous sexual abuse of a child, or indecency with a child. The amendment also requires the Board to suspend or restrict a physician's license for an arrest related to the sexual or aggravated assault of a child or indecency with a child.

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