

## **Board Rule Changes - March 7, 2012**

The following Board Rules have been adopted and went into effect March 7, 2012. Visit the TMB's [Laws, Rules & FAQs web page](#) for more information.

### **CHAPTER 173. PHYSICIAN PROFILES**

#### **22 TAC §173.1, §173.3**

The Texas Medical Board adopted amendments to §173.1, concerning Profile Contents; and §173.3, concerning Physician-Initiated Updates. The amendment to §173.1 clarifies what utilization review services are subject to reporting on a physician's profile and specifically excludes the reporting of utilization review provided in relation to worker's compensation claims.

The amendment to §173.3 clarifies that changes in address to be reported to the Board by physicians within 30 days of their occurrence, applies to both mailing and practice address changes.

### **CHAPTER 177. BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **22 TAC §§177.16, and 177.17**

The Texas Medical Board adopted amendments to §§177.16 and 177.17, concerning Business Organizations. The amendment to §177.16, relating to Physician Assistants, provides that if a grandfathered entity under this section contracts with a new supervising physician to provide services, then the restrictions on ownership interest under this section shall apply.

The amendment to §177.17, relating to Exceptions to Corporate Practice of Medicine Doctrine, consistent with SB 894 (82nd Regular Legislative Session), provides that physicians have certain rights when employed by a hospital that provides professional liability coverage.