Rule Changes Effective May 6, 2013

Chapter 163. LICENSURE

22 TAC §163.6

The amendment revises the rule related to licensure examinations so that the rule is consistent with the statute requiring passage of licensure examinations within a seven-year time period.

22 TAC §163.7

The amendment revises the 10-year rule for applicants who have not passed a licensure examination listed in §163.6 so that the practice of medicine for at least six months under a faculty temporary license is added as a substitute for specialty certification.

Chapter 172. TEMPORARY AND LIMITED LICENSES

22 TAC §172.8

The amendment clarifies that time spent under a Faculty Temporary License may satisfy the 10-year-rule requirement for specialty training imposed under §163.7.

Chapter 175. FEES AND PENALTIES

22 TAC §175.5

The amendment provides that if an applicant or licensee dies more than 90 days after having paid a fee, the applicant's survivors may submit a written request for a refund demonstrating good cause for a prorated refund.

Chapter 187. PROCEDURAL RULES

22 TAC §187.57

The amendment corrects a typographical error in the rule that was adopted previously by the Board.

Chapter 196. VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENT OR SURRENDER OF A MEDICAL LICENSE

22 TAC §196.2

The amendment corrects the language of the rule to indicate that a licensee may agree to surrender his or her license in lieu of further investigation or hearing.

Chapter 197. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE 22 TAC §197.3

The amendment provides that a physician may not be an off-line medical director if the physician has been suspended or revoked for cause by any governmental agency, or the physician has been excluded from Medicare, Medicaid, or CHIP.