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## MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

TO: Mississippi Secretary of State  
From: Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure  
Date: July 11, 2008  
Subject: Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption - Final Rule

Mississippi Code §73-43-11 gives the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure the power to promulgate and publish reasonable rules and regulations necessary to enable it to discharge its functions and to enforce the provisions of law regulating the practice of medicine.

This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.

This is an amendment to Board regulation, Chapter 11, Section 1401, The Practice of Physician Assistants. It amends the current regulation to allow the Board to mail notices of renewals to physician assistants instead of applications of renewal.

## **Chapter 11 The Practice of Physician Assistants**

### Renewal Schedule

- 1400 The license of every person licensed to practice as a physician assistant in the state of Mississippi shall be renewed annually.
- 1401 On or before May 1 of each year, the State Board of Medical Licensure shall mail a notice of renewal of license to every physician assistant to whom a license was issued or renewed during the current licensing year. The notice shall provide instructions for obtaining and submitting applications for renewal. The applicant shall obtain and complete the application and submit it to the Board in the manner prescribed by the Board in the notice before June 30 with documentation of completing each year 50 hours of CME and the renewal fee of an amount established by the Board. The payment of the annual license renewal fee shall be optional with all physician assistants over the age of seventy (70) years. Upon receipt of the application and fee, the Board shall verify the accuracy of the application and issue to applicant a certificate of renewal for the ensuing year, beginning July 1 and expiring June 30 of the succeeding calendar year.
- 1402 A physician assistant practicing in Mississippi who allows his or her license to lapse by failing to renew the license as provided in Section 1401 may be reinstated by the Board on satisfactory explanation for such failure to renew, by completion of a reinstatement form, and upon payment of the renewal fee for the current year, and shall be assessed a fine of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) plus an additional fine of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each month thereafter that the license renewal remains delinquent.
- 1403 Any physician assistant not practicing in Mississippi who allows his or her license to lapse by failing to renew the license as provided in Section 1401 may be reinstated by the Board on satisfactory explanation for such failure to renew, by completion of a reinstatement form, and upon payment of the arrearage for the previous five (5) years and the renewal fee for the current year.
- 1404 Any physician assistant who allows his or her license to lapse shall be notified by the Board within thirty (30) days of such lapse.
- 1405 Any person practicing as a physician assistant during the time his or her license has lapsed shall be considered an illegal practitioner and shall be subject to the same penalties as provided in Mississippi Code, Section 73-25-14.

**Amended July 10, 2008.**