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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 610
Department or Agency: Alabama Board of Nursing Alabama
Rule No.: 610-X-14-.32
Rule Title: Outcome Standards
Intended Action: New

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved? No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? NA

Are all facets of the rule-making process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer

Natalie Baker
Natalie Baker

Date

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

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ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING ALABAMA

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SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

The Board of Nursing proposes a new rule to clarify educational and regulatory requirements for Medication Assistants, Certified (MAC).

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

Written or verbal comments will be accepted through 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2026 and may be directed to PO Box 303100, Montgomery, Alabama 36130, by telephone to 334-293-5200, or email to Natalie.Baker@abn.alabama.gov.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:

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(Signature of officer authorized
to promulgate and adopt
rules or his or her deputy)

(1) MAC program completers shall demonstrate theoretical and clinical competence for entry into practice.

(2) The Board-calculated program certification pass rate for each MAC program shall be published by the Board annually.

(3) Approved MAC Programs shall be evaluated for continuing approval by the Board not less than every five (5) years, but may be evaluated more frequently based on deficiencies, identified areas of concern, or receipt of a complaint.

(a) Additional oversight of new programs shall take place throughout the first five (5) years of operation. This may include requests for progress reports on the numbers of students, trends of certification pass rates, and annual reports as determined by the Board.

(4) MAC programs shall complete the MAC Annual Report in the format indicated by the Board within the specified time frame.

(5) The Board may review and analyze various sources of information regarding program performance, including, but not limited to:

(a) Board survey visits.

(b) Results of ongoing program evaluation.

(c) Other sources of evidence contributing to the achievement of program outcomes, including, but not limited to:

1. Sufficient number of instructors and clinical supervisors.

2. Sufficient clinical learning experiences. 3. Plans for improvement including but not limited to:

(i) Financial.

(ii) Education program physical facilities.

(iii) Instructional and learning equipment.

(iv) Technology.

(v) Administrative, instructional, and support personnel.

3. Program complaints/grievance review and resolution.

(6) Continuing approval will be granted upon the Board's verification that the program is in compliance with the standards set forth by the Administrative Code in Chapter 610-X-14.

Author: Alabama Board of Nursing

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-21-2.1.

History: New Rule: Published _____; effective _____.