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**Public Hearing on Proposed Administrative Rules and Regulations, including Fee Schedule;
and Proposed Draft Legislation for the
Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners**

The Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners (GBAHE) and the Health Professional Licensing Office (HPLO) of the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) wish to inform the public that the GBAHE and HPLO will be accepting public comments and holding public hearings on proposed legislation to be forwarded to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* (Guam Legislature); and draft administrative rules and regulations.

DATE: Friday, October 07, 2022
TIME: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Health Professional Licensing Office Conference Room
194 Hernan Cortez Avenue Suite 209
Terlaje Professional Building, Hagatna, Guam 96910

DATE: Tuesday, October 11, 2022
TIME: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Health Professional Licensing Office Conference Room
194 Hernan Cortez Avenue Suite 209
Terlaje Professional Building, Hagatna, Guam 96910

DATE: Thursday, October 13, 2022
TIME: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Health Professional Licensing Office Conference Room
194 Hernan Cortez Avenue Suite 209
Terlaje Professional Building, Hagatna, Guam 96910

The meetings will also be conducted via Zoom where testimony may be heard at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85335102381?pwd=OFg0N3BjN0R2bTdGaFhnK01IS29ZUT09>

Meeting ID: 853 3510 2381; Passcode: 190327

The meetings will also be livestreamed here: <https://facebook.com/HPLOGuam>.

The proposed legislation and draft administrative rules and regulations are addressed to the following topics.

- **Proposed repeal, reenactment, and amendments to the Allied Health Practice Act located at Title 10 Chapter 12, Guam Code Annotated, Articles 1, and 8-12** including, but not limited to: Amendments to the Composition of the Board to Include Two (2) Public Members; Amendments to the Definition and Scope of Practice of the Healing Arts, and the Professions of Acupuncture to Include Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine; Chiropractic; Dietetics and Nutrition; Prescriptive Authority for Clinical Psychologists and Other Allied Health Professions; Amendment to Fee Schedule, Budget and Revolving Fund; Continuing Education; Veterinary Medicine; Repeal of Prior Administrative Rules and Regulations; and the Approval of Administrative Rules and Regulations.
- **Draft Administrative Rules and Regulations Governing the Practice of Allied Health Professions** including but not limited to: Operations of the Board; Scope of Practice of Professions Licensed by the Board; Rules Governing Specific Allied Health Professions including Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, Chiropractic, Dietician and Nutrition, Psychology Associate, Speech-Language Pathologist, and Veterinary Medicine; Procedures Governing Applications for Licensure; Prescriptive Authority for Clinical Psychologists; Renewal of Licenses; Reinstatement of Licenses; Continuing Education; Fees; Denial of Initial License Application or Refusal to Renew; Complaint, Investigation, and Disciplinary Processes; Advertising; and Mandatory/Compulsory Reporting.

Copies of the proposed administrative rules, regulations, and proposed legislation are available for review by visiting the HPLO office located at 194 Hernan Cortez Avenue, Suite 213 Terlaje Professional Building, Hagåtña, Guam 96910; and may also be downloaded from the HPLO's website at www.guamhplo.org, and the GBAHE's website at www.guamhplo.org/gbahe.

In order to ensure that all comments are received and considered by the GBAHE, the public is encouraged to submit their comments in writing in advance of the public hearings either in person at the Office of the HPLO or via email to hplo@dphss.guam.gov. To ensure receipt and consideration, please put the words "Comment on GBAHE Proposed Rules and Legislation" in the subject line of the email.

Those persons wishing to address the GBAHE in person shall be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker unless board members have questions of the speaker or wish to comment.

Those persons who wish to participate via Zoom shall be called to testify in order of appearance via chat following live in-person testimony at each meeting. In the event a meeting ends before all who wish to testify in person or via Zoom are given an opportunity to present, they will be given first priority at the next meeting.

The GBAHE will be accepting public comments on the proposed legislation; and draft administrative rules and regulations, including fee schedule, up until its next regularly scheduled (virtual and in-person) Board meeting presently scheduled for Friday October 21, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. at which time the Board will consider and discuss the comments received, and vote on proposed legislation to be forwarded to the Guam Legislature and the adoption of administrative rules and regulation and fee schedule.

For more information, please contact HPLO Office tel. nos. (671) 735-7404, (671) 735-7405, (671) 735-7407, (671) 735-7408, (671) 735-7409, (671) 735-7410, (671) 735-7412.


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