RULE

Department of Health
Board of Medical Examiners

Podiatry Licensure and Certification (LAC 46:XLV.1307)

In accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and pursuant to the authority vested in the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (board) by the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, R.S. 37:1270 and the Louisiana Podiatric Practice Act, R.S. 37:611-628, the board has amended its rules on licensure and certification of podiatrists to add a new Subsection (§1307.G) and renumber the previous Subsection, §1307.G, as §1307.H. The amendments are set forth below.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part XLV.  Medical Professions

Subpart 2.  Licensure and Certification

Chapter 13.  Podiatrists

Subchapter B. Requirements and Qualifications for Licensure, Scope of Practice

§1307.  Qualifications for Certification for Advanced Practice; Scope of Practice

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G. Patient history and examination. Provided a history and physical (H and P) examination has been performed by a Louisiana licensed physician or duly authorized advanced practice registered nurse within 30 days of a podiatric surgical procedure, a podiatrist certified for advanced practice under this Section may perform an update to the H and P for the purpose of pre-operative evaluation provided the:

1. podiatric surgical procedure is performed in a hospital or ambulatory surgical center (ASC) licensed by the state;
2. podiatrist's credentials have been approved by the hospital or ASC medical staff and the podiatrist has been authorized to perform the procedure in accordance with the hospital or ASC’s prescribed policies and procedures; and
3. updated examination and history are directly related to the podiatry procedure the podiatrist is authorized to perform under the scope of his or her license.

H. The burden of satisfying the board as to the qualifications and eligibility of the applicant for certification of practice prerogatives shall be upon the applicant. An applicant shall not be deemed to possess such qualifications unless the applicant demonstrates and evidences such qualifications in the manner prescribed by and to the satisfaction of the board.


HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Medical Examiners, LR 35:241 (February 2009), amended by the Department of Health, Board of Medical Examiners, LR 42:2197 (December 2016).

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