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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (ICAR) AGENDA **Monday, January 9, 2023, 2:00 p.m.**

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Physical meeting location suspended until January 15, 2023 due to [Open Meeting Law temporary provisions](#).

- Welcome
- Review and approval of the minutes from the [December 12, 2022](#) meeting
- Note any additions or deletions from the agenda
- Public comment
- Presentation of the following proposed rule:
 - 1) HazMat Transportation & Motor Carrier Safety Standards, Agency of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles
 - a) Rules 55-001 & 50-036 provide authority to enforce Federal Regulations through state law for commercial vehicles & transportation of hazardous materials.
 - 2) Rule 1: Licensing of Cannabis Establishments, Cannabis Control Board
 - a) Rule 1 regulates the licensing of any person or entity that seeks to participate in the legal market for cannabis.
 - 3) Rule 2: Regulation of Cannabis Establishments, Cannabis Control Board
 - a) Rule 2 regulates the operation of any entity that has received a license to participate in the legal market for cannabis.
 - 4) Rule 4: Compliance and Enforcement, Cannabis Control Board
 - a) This rule provides the enforcement mechanisms, procedures, and penalties for the Cannabis Control Board's Rules 1 through 3, which govern the licensing and regulation of commercial cannabis businesses and patient access to therapeutic cannabis.
 - 5) Home Visiting Rule, Vermont Department of Health
 - a) This rulemaking does the following:
 - i) Updates the rule to reflect current practices and program management.
 - ii) Consolidates and moves recommendations from the existing rule, into The Manual of Vermont Home Visiting Program Standards, a supplemental resource for home visiting service providers.
 - iii) Simplifies the required documentation and program plan process for home visiting service providers.
 - iv) Updates employee and volunteer hiring standards by requiring comprehensive orientation to new home visiting providers within the first six months of the date of hire.
 - v) Ensures all screening tools used by home visiting providers are evidence-based.



vi) Reorganizes the requirements of home visiting providers for clarity.

- 6) STep Ahead Recognition System (STARS) Rules, Department for Children and Families
 - a) The State of Vermont's child care Quality Recognition and Improvement System (QRIS) is called STep Ahead Recognition System or STARS. The system is informed by the unique culture and identity of quality practices in Vermont's early childhood and afterschool programs and offers equitable opportunities for programs and providers to engage in the improvement system. QRIS are designed to recognize provider strengths, to support family choice, and to improve children's experiences in early childhood and afterschool programs. One goal of QRIS is to support early childhood and afterschool programs in fostering healthy development and preparing young children for future learning and life success. Vermont's STARS supports family choice, allowing parents and caregivers to make informed decisions regarding the quality of a program and services provided by that program. QRIS can give families insight into program philosophy, helping the family choose the best possible fit for their children.
 - 7) Privacy of Consumer Financial and Health Information, Department of Financial Regulation
 - a) The Department of Financial Regulation's rule on "Privacy of Consumer Financial and Health Information" establishes limitations on how insurance companies, other entities that offer insurance to Vermont consumers, and insurance agents share consumers' financial and health information. The rule is being amended to modernize and streamline how annual notices identifying these privacy practices are provided to consumers. Instead of delivering an annual privacy notice to consumers individually, entities and agents who meet specific criteria will have the option to provide the notice on their website. This rule amendment will make the requirements for the provision of annual privacy notices consistent with federal law and with similar requirements, established in other rules, for entities regulated by the Banking Division. This rule amendment also makes technical corrections and clarifies what to include in the federal model privacy form should an entity elect to use that form as its privacy notice.
- Other business
 - Next meeting date: Wednesday, February 22, 2023, 2:00 PM (changed from Monday, February 13, 2023)
 - Adjournment

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