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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (ICAR) AGENDA Monday, April 10, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

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- Welcome
- Review and approval of the minutes from the March 13, 2023 meeting
- Note any additions or deletions from the agenda
- Public comment
- Note: An emergency rule was supported by ICAR Chair Brown on 03/31/23 titled 'PUC Emergency Rule 2.500 COVID-19 Emergency Procedures' by the VT Public Utility Commission
 - This emergency rule amends various filing and procedural requirements and provides alternative procedures to reduce or eliminate in-person contact between members of the public and Commission staff or other members of the public to reduce the risk of exposure to the COVID-19 virus. This serves as a sixth extension of the emergency rule filed in April 2020. A number of measures included in this revised emergency rule have proven beneficial to those who appear before and interact with the Commission. The Commission is undertaking a process of adopting policies and promulgating permanent rules, where appropriate, so that the remaining measures in this revised emergency rule could either be phased out or incorporated into permanent rules. The revisions in this version reflect adoption of permanent Commission Rule 2. Two other Commission rules modified by this rule are in various stages of rulemaking. The provisions in this revised emergency rule will be superseded when the permanent rules take effect.
- Presentation of the following proposed rule:
 - 1) Vermont Medication Assistance Program Rule, Agency of Human Services, Department of Health
 - a. This rule establishes eligibility for the Vermont Medication Assistance Program that covers the cost of necessary medication for individuals living with HIV. This rulemaking proposes the following changes:
 - Updates the recertification of eligibility application process to conform with the Policy Clarification Notice 21-02 issued on October 2021 by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Specifically, the rulemaking removes an extra recertification step for beneficiaries at the six-month mark and proposes a yearly recertification requirement.
 - ii. Simplifies and updates the rule for consistency with the program's management.
 - iii. Reorganizes the rule for clarity.



- Other business
- Next meeting date: Monday, May 8, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.
- Adjournment

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