Dear Senators HEIDER, Nuxoll, Schmidt, and Representatives WOOD, Packer, Rusche:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the Board of Medicine:
IDAPA 22.01.03 - Rules for the Licensure of Physician Assistants - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 22-0103-1601).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 10/21/2016. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 11/18/2016.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4834, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Health & Welfare Committee and the House Health & Welfare Committee
FROM: Senior Legislative Research Analyst - Elizabeth Bowen
DATE: October 03, 2016
SUBJECT: Board of Medicine

IDAPA 22.01.03 - Rules for the Licensure of Physician Assistants - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 22-0103-1601)

The Board of Medicine submits notice of proposed rulemaking at IDAPA 22.01.03. The purpose of the rule is to update licensure requirements for physician assistants, to allow physician assistants with prescriptive authority to order controlled substances for office use, and to make minor "housekeeping" revisions to existing language.

Negotiated rulemaking was not conducted; however, the Board held informal meetings with stakeholder groups and will hold a public hearing on November 2, 2016. No negative fiscal impact on the state general fund is anticipated. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to several sections of the Idaho Code, including Section 54-1806, which grants rulemaking authority to the Board.

cc: Board of Medicine
    Anne Lawler
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized Pursuant to Sections 54-1806(2), 54-1806(4), (11), 54-1806A, 54-1812, 54-1813, 54-1814 and 54-1841, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: A public hearing concerning this rulemaking will be held as follows:

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 -- 12:00 - 1:30 pm

Idaho State Board of Medicine
1755 Westgate Drive, Suite 140
Boise, ID 83704

The hearing site will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

This rule update clarifies the educational requirements for licensure, clarifies the national certification requirements for licensure and renewal of licensure, adds the ability of a physician assistant to order controlled substances for office use, and other small housekeeping items.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking:

N/A - This rule change is budget neutral and there is no fiscal impact to the general fund.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, a notice of intent to promulgate was not published, and therefore, formal Negotiated Rulemaking was not conducted. However, several meetings were conducted informally with stakeholders, including the state association and their members, other interested parties, and future licensees. Such negotiations shall continue through the comment period and hearing. The Rules draft is available on the Board of Medicine website for review and comment.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2) (a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Anne K. Lawler, Executive Director, at (208) 327-7000.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before November 1, 2016. Written comments will also be accepted at the scheduled public hearing.

DATED this 2nd day of September, 2016.

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT OF DOCKET NO. 22-0103-1601
(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

007. FILING OF DOCUMENTS -- NUMBER OF COPIES.
All documents in rule-making or contested case proceedings must be filed with the office of the Board. The original and ten (10) copies of all documents must be filed with the office of the Board. (2-15-02)

010. DEFINITIONS.
01. Alternate Supervising Physician. A physician registered with the Board, as set forth in IDAPA 22.01.04, “Rules of the Board of Medicine for Registration of Supervising and Directing Physicians,” under an agreement as defined in these rules, who is responsible for supervising the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant in the temporary absence of the supervising physician. The alternate supervising physician shall accept full medical responsibility for the performance, practice, and activities of such licensee being supervised. An alternate supervising physician shall not supervise more than three (3) physician assistants or graduate physician assistants contemporaneously. The Board, however, may authorize an alternate supervising physician to supervise a total of six (6) such licensees contemporaneously if necessary to provide adequate medical care and upon prior petition documenting adequate safeguards to protect the public health and safety. (3-16-04)

02. Approved Program. A course of study for the education and training of physician assistants which is accredited by the Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation, the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for Physician Assistants (ARC-PA) or predecessor agency or equivalent agency recognized by the Board as recommended by the Committee. (3-16-04)

03. Board. The Idaho State Board of Medicine established pursuant to Section 54-1805, Idaho Code. (3-16-04)

04. Delegation of Services (DOS) Agreement. A written document mutually agreed upon and signed and dated by the licensed physician assistant or graduate physician assistant and supervising and alternate supervising physician that defines the working relationship and delegation of duties between the supervising physician and the licensee as specified by Board rule. The Board shall review the written delegation of services agreement and may review job descriptions, policy statements, or other documents that define the responsibilities of the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant in the practice setting, and may require such changes as needed to achieve compliance with these rules, and to safeguard the public. (4-9-09)

05. Graduate Physician Assistant. A person who is a graduate of an approved program for the education and training of physician assistants and who meets all the requirements in this chapter for Idaho licensure, but:

a. Has not yet taken and passed the certification examination and who has been authorized by the Board, as defined in Subsection 036.01 of these rules, to render patient services under the direction of a supervising physician for a period of six (6) months; or (3-16-04)

b. Has passed the certification examination but who has not yet obtained a college baccalaureate degree and who has been authorized by the Board, as defined in Subsection 036.02 of these rules, to render patient services under the direction of a supervising physician for a period of not more than five (5) years. (3-16-04)
06. **Physician.** A physician who holds a current active license issued by the Board to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in Idaho and is in good standing with no restrictions upon or actions taken against his license.  
(3-16-04)

07. **Physician Assistant.** A person who is a graduate of an approved program and who is qualified by specialized education, training, experience and personal character, as defined in Section 021 of these rules, and who has been licensed by the Board to render patient services under the direction of a supervising and alternate supervising physician.  
(4-9-09)

08. **Physician Assistant Trainee.** A person who is undergoing training at an approved program as a physician assistant and registered with the Board.  
(3-16-04)

09. **Supervision.** The direction and oversight of the activities of and patient services provided by a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant by a supervising physician or alternate supervising physician who accepts full medical responsibility with respect thereto. The constant physical presence of the supervising or alternate supervising physician is not required as long as the supervisor and such licensee are or can be easily in contact with one another by radio, telephone, or other telecommunication device. The scope and nature of the supervision shall be outlined in a delegation of services agreement, as defined in Subsection 030.04 of these rules.  
(4-9-09)

10. **Supervising Physician.** A physician registered by the Board, as set forth in IDAPA 22.01.04, “Rules of the Board of Medicine for Registration of Supervising and Directing Physicians,” and under an agreement as defined in Subsection 030.04 of these rules, who is responsible for the direction and supervision of the activities of and patient services provided by the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant. The supervising physician accepts full medical responsibility for the activities of and patient services provided by such licensee. A supervising physician shall not supervise more than a total of three (3) physician assistants or graduate physician assistants contemporaneously. The Board, however, may authorize a supervising physician to supervise a total of six (6) such licensees contemporaneously if necessary to provide adequate medical care and upon prior petition documenting adequate safeguards to protect the public health and safety.  
(3-16-04)

**(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)**

020. **APPLICATION.**

01. **License Applications.** All applications for licensure as physician assistants and graduate physician assistants shall be made to the Board on forms supplied by the Board and include the nonrefundable application fee. The application form shall be verified and shall require the following:  
(4-9-09)

a. Certificate of graduation from an approved program as defined in Subsection 010.02 and evidence of having received a college baccalaureate degree from a nationally accredited school with a curriculum approved by the United States Secretary of Education, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, or both, or from a school accredited by another such agency approved by the Board.  
(4-9-09)

b. **Proof of current certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants or similar certifying agency approved by the Board;**  
(____)

c. The disclosure of any criminal charges, convictions or guilty pleas against the applicant other than minor traffic offenses;  
(4-9-09)

d. The current mental and physical condition of the applicant, together with disclosure of any previous physical or mental illness which may impact the applicant’s ability to render patient services as a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant;  
(4-9-09)

e. The disclosure of any past or pending medical malpractice actions against the applicant, and the judgments or settlements, if any, of such claims exceeding fifty thousand dollars ($50,000);  
(4-9-09)
The disclosure of any disciplinary action by any country or state board of medicine, medical society, professional society, hospital or institution staff; (4-9-09)

The disclosure of the refusal to issue or renew a license to render patient services as a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant by any state, Canadian or foreign licensing authority; (4-9-09)

References to include one (1) letter of recommendation signed by a licensed physician who have known the applicant professionally for at least one (1) year; (4-9-09)

An unmounted photograph of the applicant, of adequate size and clarity to identify the applicant and no larger than four inches tall by three inches wide (4” x 3”), taken not more than one (1) year prior to the date of the application; (4-9-09)

A certified copy of a full set of the applicant’s fingerprints on forms supplied by the board which shall be forwarded to the Idaho Department of Law Enforcement and to the FBI Identification Division for the purpose of a fingerprint-based criminal history check of the Idaho central criminal database and the Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history database; (4-9-09)

The employment history and past practice locations of the applicant; (4-9-09)

Each state or country in which the applicant has applied for a license to practice as physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; (4-9-09)

Each state or country wherein the applicant is licensed to practice as physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; and (4-9-09)

Such other information or examinations as the Board deems necessary to identify and evaluate the applicant’s credentials and competency. (4-9-09)

02. Reapplication. If more than two (2) years have elapsed since a licensed physician assistant or graduate physician assistant has actively engaged in practice, reapplication to the Board as a new applicant is required. The Board may require evidence of an educational update and close supervision to assure safe and qualified performance. (3-16-04)

03. Application Expiration. An application for licensure that is not granted or license not issued within one (1) year from the date the application is received by the Board shall expire. However, the applicant may make a written request to the Board to consider his application on an individual basis file an application to the Committee for an extension. In its discretion, the Committee may make a determination if extraordinary circumstances exist that justify extending the one (1) year time period up to an additional one (1) year. The Committee can recommend to the Board to grant the request for such extension of time. The Board shall make all final decisions with respect thereto. (3-16-04)

021. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE.

01. Residence. No period of residence in Idaho shall be required of any applicant, however, each applicant for licensure must be legally able to work and live in the United States. Original documentation of lawful presence in the United States must be provided upon request only. The Board shall refuse to issue a license or renew a license if the applicant is not lawfully present in the United States. (4-9-09)

02. English Language. Each applicant shall speak, write, read, understand and be understood in the English language. Evidence of proficiency in the English language must be provided upon request only. (4-9-09)

03. Educational Requirement. Applicants for licensure shall have completed an approved program as defined in Subsection 010.042 and shall provide evidence of having received a college baccalaureate degree from a nationally accredited school with a curriculum approved by the United States Secretary of Education, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, or both, or from a school accredited by another such agency approved by the Board. (3-16-04)
04. **National Certifying Examination.** Satisfactory completion and passage of the certifying examination for physician assistants, administered by the National Commission of Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) or such other examinations, which may be written, oral or practical, as the Board may require. (4-9-09)

04. **Certification.** Current certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants or similar certifying agency approved by the Board.

05. **Personal Interview.** The Board may at its discretion, require the applicant or the supervising physician or both to appear for a personal interview. (3-19-99)

06. **Completion of Form.**
   a. If the applicant is to practice in Idaho, he must submit payment of the prescribed fee and a completed form provided by the Board indicating:
      i. The applicant has completed a delegation of services agreement signed by the applicant, supervising physician and alternate supervising physicians; and
      ii. The agreement is on file at each practice location and the address of record of the supervising physician and at the central office of the Board; or
   b. If the applicant is not to practice in Idaho, he must submit payment of the prescribed fee and a completed form provided by the Board indicating the applicant is not practicing in Idaho and prior to practicing in Idaho, the applicant will meet the requirements of Subsections 021.046.a.i. and 021.046.a.ii. (3-16-04)

028. **SCOPE OF PRACTICE.**

01. **Scope.** The scope of practice of physician assistants and graduate physician assistants shall be defined in the delegation of services and may include a broad range of diagnostic, therapeutic and health promotion and disease prevention services. (3-16-04)
   a. The scope of practice shall include only those duties and responsibilities delegated to the licensee by their supervising and alternate supervising physician and in accordance with the delegation of services agreement and consistent with the expertise and regular scope of practice of the supervising and alternate supervising physician. (4-9-09)
   b. The scope of practice may include prescribing, administering, and dispensing of medical devices and drugs, including the administration of a local anesthetic injected subcutaneously, digital blocks, or the application of topical anesthetics, while working under the supervision of a licensed medical physician. Physician assistants and graduate physician assistants shall not administer or monitor general or regional block anesthesia during diagnostic tests, surgery, or obstetric procedures. (3-16-04)
   c. Physician assistants and graduate physician assistants are agents of their supervising and alternate supervising physician in the performance of all practice-related activities and patient services. (4-9-09)
   d. A supervising physician shall not supervise more than a total of three (3) physician assistants or graduate physician assistants contemporaneously. The Board, however, may authorize a supervising physician to supervise a total of six (6) such licensees contemporaneously if necessary to provide adequate medical care and upon prior petition documenting adequate safeguards to protect the public health and safety. An alternate supervising physician shall not supervise more than three (3) physician assistants or graduate physician assistants contemporaneously. The Board, however, may authorize an alternate supervising physician to supervise a total of six
(6) such licensees contemporaneously if necessary to provide adequate medical care and upon prior petition documenting adequate safeguards to protect the public health and safety. (3-16-04)

02. Practice. Initiate appropriate laboratory or diagnostic studies, or both, to screen or evaluate the patient's health status and interpret reported information in accordance with knowledge of the laboratory or diagnostic studies, provided such laboratory or diagnostic studies are related to and consistent with the licensee's scope of practice. The scope of practice shall be limited to patient services under the supervision of the supervising or alternate supervising physician:

a. Within the education, training and experience of the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; and

b. Consistent with the expertise and regular scope of practice of the supervising and alternate supervising physician. (4-9-09)

029. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.

01. Continuing Competence. A physician assistant or graduate physician assistant may be required by the Board at any time to demonstrate continuing competence in the performance of any practice related activity or patient service. (3-16-04)

02. Requirements for Renewal. (4-9-09)

a. Every other year, and prior to renewal of each license as set forth by the expiration date on the face of the certificate, physician assistants and graduate physician assistants will be required to present evidence of having received one hundred (100) hours of continuing medical education over a two-year period. The courses and credits shall be subject to approval of the Board. (3-16-04)

b. Every other year, and prior to renewal of each license as set forth by the expiration date on the face of the certificate, physician assistants shall submit verified evidence and/or shall require the original document itself or a certified copy thereof issued by the agency or institution and mailed or delivered directly from the source to the Board of NCPA certification maintenance and passage of the Physician Assistant National Recertifying Exam (PANRE) http://www.nccpa.net attest to maintenance of certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants or similar certifying agency approved by the Board, which certification requires a minimum of one hundred (100) hours of continuing medical education over a two-year period. (4-9-09)

030. PRACTICE STANDARDS.

01. Identification. The physician assistant, graduate physician assistant and physician assistant trainee must at all times when on duty wear a placard or plate so identifying himself. (3-16-04)

02. Advertise. No physician assistant, graduate physician assistant or physician assistant trainee may advertise or represent himself either directly or indirectly, as a physician. (3-16-04)

03. Supervising Physician. Each licensed physician assistant and graduate physician assistant shall have a Board-approved supervising physician prior to practice. (3-16-04)

04. Delegation of Services Agreement. Each licensed physician assistant and graduate physician assistant shall maintain a current copy of a Board-approved Delegation of Services (DOS) Agreement between the licensee and each of his supervising and alternate supervising physicians. The delegation of services agreement, made upon a form provided by the Board, shall include a listing of the licensee’s training, experience and education, and defines the patient services to be delegated. It is the responsibility of the licensee and supervising physician to maintain a current delegation of services agreement. All specialized procedures that need prior review and approval.
by the Board will be listed on the delegation of services agreement form supplied by the Board. Prior to provision, all licensees requesting to provide any of the listed services will be required to send their delegation of services agreement to the Board for approval. The Board may require the supervising physician to provide written information, which will include his affidavit attesting to the licensee’s qualifications and clinical abilities to perform the specific procedures listed in the delegation of services agreement. This agreement shall be sent to the Board and must be maintained on file at each practice location and at the address of record of the supervising and alternate supervising physician. The Committee will review this agreement in conjunction with and make recommendations to the Board. The Board may require such changes as needed to achieve compliance with this chapter and Title 54, Chapter 18, Idaho Code, and to safeguard the public. This agreement shall include:

- a. Documentation of the licensee’s education, training, and experience and a listing of the specific patient services which will be performed by the licensee;
- b. The specific locations and facilities in which the licensee will function; and
- c. The written plans and methods to be used to ensure responsible direction and control of the activities and patient services rendered by the licensee which shall provide for:
  - i. An on-site visit at least monthly;
  - ii. Regularly scheduled conferences between the supervising physician and the licensee;
  - iii. Periodic review of a representative sample of records and a periodic review of the patient services being provided by the licensee. This review shall also include an evaluation of adherence to the delegation of services agreement;
  - iv. Availability of the supervising and alternate supervising physician to the licensee in person or by telephone and procedures for providing backup and supervision in emergency situations; and
  - v. Procedures for addressing situations outside the scope of practice of the licensee.
- d. The drug categories or specific legend drugs and controlled drugs, Schedule II through V that will be prescribed provided that the legend drugs and controlled drugs shall be consistent with the regular prescriptive practice of the supervising physician.

05. Notification of Change or Addition of Supervising or Alternate Supervising Physician. A physician assistant or graduate physician assistant must notify the Board when adding, changing, or deleting a supervising physician or alternate supervising physician. Such notification shall include:

- i. The name, business address and telephone number of the new or additional supervising physician(s) or alternate supervising physician(s);
- ii. The name, business address, and telephone number of the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; and
- iii. Comply with the requirements of Subsection 030.04.
- iv. All supervising physicians and alternate supervising physicians must comply with the requirements of IDAPA 22.01.04, “Rules of the Board of Medicine for Registration of Supervising and Directing Physicians.”

046. On-Site Review. The Board, by and through its designated agents, is authorized to conduct on-site reviews of the activities of physician assistants or graduate physician assistants and the locations and facilities in which the licensees practice at such times as the Board deems necessary.
036. GRADUATE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT.

01. Licensure Prior to Certification Examination -- Board Consideration. Any person who has graduated from an approved program and meets all Idaho requirements, including achieving a college baccalaureate degree, but has not yet taken and passed the certification examination, may be considered by the Board for licensure as a graduate physician assistant for six (6) months when:

   a. An application for licensure as a graduate physician assistant has been submitted to the Board on forms supplied by the Board and payment of the prescribed fee. (3-16-04)

   b. The applicant shall submit to the Board, within ten (10) business days of receipt, a copy of acknowledgment of sitting for the national certification examination. The applicant shall also submit to the Board, within ten (10) business days of receipt, a copy of the national certification examination results. (4-9-09)

   c. After the graduate physician assistant has passed the certification examination, the Board must receive verification of national certification directly from the certifying entity. Once the verification is received by the Board, the graduate physician assistant’s license will be converted to a permanent license and he may apply for prescribing authority pursuant to Section 042 of these rules. (3-16-04)

   d. The applicant who has failed the certification examination one (1) time, may petition the Board for a one-time extension of his graduate physician assistant license for an additional six (6) months. (3-16-04)

   e. If the graduate physician assistant fails to pass the certifying examination on two (2) separate occasions, the graduate physician assistant’s license shall automatically be canceled upon receipt of the second failing certification examination score. (3-16-04)

   f. The graduate physician assistant applicant shall agree to execute an authorization for the release of information, attached to his application as Exhibit A, authorizing the Board or its designated agents, having information relevant to the application, including but not limited to the status of the certification examination, to release such information, as necessary, to his supervising physician. (3-16-04)

02. Licensure Prior to College Baccalaureate Degree -- Board Consideration. Licensure as a graduate physician assistant may also be considered upon application made to the Board on forms supplied by the Board and payment of the prescribed fee when:

   a. All application requirements have been met as set forth in Section 021, except receipt of documentation of a college baccalaureate degree. A college baccalaureate degree from a nationally accredited school with a curriculum approved by the United States Secretary of Education, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, or both, or from a school accredited by another such agency approved by the Board shall be completed within five (5) years of initial licensure in Idaho; (3-16-04)

   b. A personal interview with the applicant or the supervising physician or both may be required and will be conducted by a designated member of the Board; and (3-16-04)

   c. A plan shall be submitted with the application and shall be approved by the Board for the completion of the college baccalaureate degree. (3-16-04)

03. No Prescribing Authority. Graduate physician assistants shall not be entitled to issue any written or oral prescriptions and shall be required to have a weekly record review by their supervising physician unless granted an exemption by the Board. Application for an exemption must be in writing and accompany documentation of a minimum of five (5) years of recent practice in another state. (4-9-09)

04. Weekly Record Review. Graduate physician assistants shall be required to have a weekly record review by their supervising physician, unless subject to an exemption as granted in Subsection 036.03. (____)

037. DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AND NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE.
01. **Discipline.** Every person licensed as a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant is subject to discipline pursuant to the procedures and powers established by and set forth in Section 54-1806A, Idaho Code and the Administrative Procedures Act. (3-16-04)

02. **Grounds for Discipline.** In addition to the grounds for discipline set forth in Section 54-1814, Idaho Code and IDAPA 22.01.01, “Rules of the Board of Medicine for the Licensure to Practice Medicine and Surgery and Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery in Idaho,” Section 101, persons licensed under these rules are subject to discipline upon the following grounds if that person:

- Held himself out, or permitted another to represent him, to be a licensed physician; (3-16-04)
- Had in fact performed otherwise than at the discretion and under the supervision of a physician licensed by and registered with the Board; (3-16-04)
- Performed a task or tasks beyond the scope of activities allowed by Section 028; (3-16-04)
- Is a habitual or excessive user of intoxicants or drugs; (3-16-04)
- Demonstrated manifest incapacity to carry out the functions of a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; (3-16-04)
- Failed to notify the Board of a change or addition of a supervising or alternate supervising physician within two (2) weeks of the change as specified by Subsection 037.03; (3-16-04)
- Failed to complete or maintain a current copy of the Board-approved delegation of services agreement as specified by Section 030; (3-16-04)
- Aided or abetted a person not licensed in this state who directly or indirectly performs activities requiring a license; (3-16-04)
- Failed to report to the Board any known act or omission of a licensee, applicant, or any other person, which violates any provision of these rules; or (3-16-04)
- Interfered with an investigation or disciplinary proceeding by willful misrepresentation of facts or by use of threats or harassment against any patient or witness to prevent them from providing evidence in a disciplinary proceeding, investigation or other legal action. (3-16-04)
- Failed to submit to the Board, within ten (10) business days of receipt, a copy of acknowledgment of sitting for the national certification examination, and failed to submit a copy of the national certification examination results within ten (10) business days of receipt. (4-9-09)

03. **Notification of Change or Addition of Supervising or Alternate Supervising Physician.** A physician assistant or graduate physician assistant must notify the Board within two (2) weeks upon prior to changing supervising physicians or alternate supervising physicians or adding an additional supervising physician. Such notification shall include:

- The name, business address and telephone of the new or additional supervising physician or alternate supervising physician(s); (3-16-04)
- The name, business address, and telephone number of the physician assistant or graduate physician assistant; and (3-16-04)
- Comply with the requirements of Subsection 030.03. (3-16-04)
- All supervising physicians and alternate supervising physicians must comply with the requirements.
042. PRESCRIPTION WRITING.

01. Approval and Authorization Required. A physician assistant may issue written or oral prescriptions for legend drugs and controlled drugs, Schedule II through V only in accordance with approval and authorization granted by the Board and in accordance with the current delegation of services agreement and shall be consistent with the regular prescriptive practice of the supervising or alternate supervising physician. (4-9-09)

02. Application. A physician assistant who wishes to apply for prescription writing authority shall submit to the Board an application for such purpose on forms supplied by the Board. In addition to the information contained in the general application for physician assistant approval, the application for prescription writing authority shall include the following information:

   a. Documentation of all pharmacology course content completed, the length and whether a passing grade was achieved (at least thirty (30) hours). (7-1-93)

   b. A statement of the frequency with which the supervising physician will review prescriptions written or issued. (3-16-04)

   c. A signed affidavit from the supervising physician certifying that, in the opinion of the supervising physician, the physician assistant is qualified to prescribe the drugs for which the physician assistant is seeking approval and authorization. (3-16-04)

   d. The physician assistant to be authorized to prescribe Schedule II through V drugs shall be registered with the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Idaho Board of Pharmacy. (3-15-02)

03. Prescription Forms. Prescription forms used by the physician assistant must be printed with the name, address, and telephone number of the physician assistant and of the supervising physician. A physician assistant shall not write prescriptions or complete or issue prescription blanks previously signed by any physician. (3-16-04)

04. Record Keeping. The physician assistant shall maintain accurate records, accounting for all prescriptions issued and medication delivered. (3-16-04)

05. Pharmaceutical Samples. The physician assistant who has prescriptive authority may request, receive, sign for and distribute professional samples of drugs and devices in accordance with his current delegation of services agreement and consistent with the regular prescriptive practice of the supervising physician. (3-16-04)

06. Prescriber Drug Outlet. The physician assistant who has prescriptive authority may dispense prescriptive drugs or devices directly to patients under the direction of the supervising physician and in accordance with IDAPA 27.01.01, “Rules of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy.” (3-20-14)

07. Controlled Substances for Office Use. The physician assistant who has prescriptive authority may order controlled substances for office use or distribution in accordance with the regulations of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Idaho Board of Pharmacy and under the direction of the supervising physician. (3-20-14)