



The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board



77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-6108

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The OHIO VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD, pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of considering amendments to the following existing rules (Rules 4741-1-01, 4741-1-03, 4741-1-04, 4741-1-08, 4741-1-21 4741-2-03, 4741-3-01, 4741-3-03, 4741-3-04 and 4741-3-05 of the Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") and the following new rules: 4741-1-16 OAC which establishes guidelines for temporary vaccination clinics, 4741-1-17 which establishes guidelines for veterinary medicine practice during a home visit of a companion animal and 4741-1-20 which establishes guidelines for veterinary medicine practice on livestock on a farm visit. The hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at the Riffe Center, 19th Floor, Room 1914, 77 South High Street, Columbus, OH 43215 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The Board is proposing to amend the following rules as indicated:

Rule 4741-1-01 OAC sets out the requirements for certification of a registered veterinary technician initial application as well as biennial renewal. The Board proposes to add "of good moral character" to reflect the same language in law for the veterinarians.

Rule 4741-1-03 OAC sets the minimum standards for stationary veterinary facilities. The Board is allowing the veterinary practice to utilize electronic means for having an up-to-date library on the premises. Additionally, monitoring of an animal while receiving anesthesia is required.

Rule 4741-1-04 OAC sets out the requirements for licensure of a veterinarian. The Board proposes to add "of good moral character" to mirror the language in the law.

Rule 4741-1-08 OAC provides the requirements for mobile veterinary practices and mobile veterinary practice facilities. The proposed language states that the rule applies to companion animals.

Rule 4741-1-21 OAC defines requirements for Recordkeeping. The proposed language requires that there be documentation that the monitoring of the animal was performed if anesthesia was administered.

Rule 4741-2-03 OAC states the requirements for obtaining and issuing a limited license for the practice of veterinary medicine in the State of Ohio. The exclusions for researchers was removed as it was in conflict with the law.

Rule 4741-3-02 OAC defines terminology utilized in the rule related to the Veterinary Student Loan Repayment Program. The definition for protection of public health was expanded.

Rule 4741-3-03 OAC defines the Veterinary resource shortage area. The rule was amended to include public health needs

Rule 4741-3-04 OAC establishes the criteria for prioritizing underserved areas. The proposed language emphasizes the public health references that mirror the law.

Rule 4741-3-05 OAC establishes the criteria for selection of applicants for the Veterinary Student Loan Repayment Program. The proposed language emphasize the public health service in veterinary medicine.

Individuals intending to testify are encouraged to pre-register by sending an email to info@ovmlb.state.oh.us or calling 614-644-5281. All those wishing to provide testimony should bring ten (10) copies of their written testimony for the Board members and staff. Testimony shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written testimony will be introduced into evidence and may be submitted to Theresa Stir, Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board, 77 South High St., Columbus, OH 43215 for consideration by the Board members. The full text of the proposed rules will be available on the Board's website at www.ovmlb.ohio.gov or from the Ohio Register at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.