

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The New Mexico Department of Health will hold a public hearing on the adoption of a new rule, 7.30.14 NMAC, “Mandatory Concussion Recognition, Response and Prevention Education”. The hearing will be held on August 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium of the Harold Runnels Building, located at 1190 St. Francis Drive in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The objective of the Mandatory Concussion Recognition, Response and Prevention Education rule is to establish uniform brain injury protocols to be used by coaches for brain injuries received by youth athletes in non-scholastic activities, training of coaches and youth athletes, and information to be provided to coaches, youth athletes, and youth athletes’ parents or guardians; to require acknowledgement of training and information by participants in youth athletic activities; and to achieve brain injury protocol and certification.

The legal authority authorizing the proposed rule and the adoption of the rule by the Department is at Subsection E of Section 9-7-6 and Subsection D of Section 22-13-31.1, NMSA 1978.

A free copy of the full text of the proposed rule can be obtained from the Department’s website at <https://nmhealth.org/publication/regulation/>.

This hearing will be conducted to receive public comment regarding the proposed adoption of the new rule 7.30.14. Any interested member of the public may attend the hearing and offer public comments on the proposed new rules during the hearing. Written public comments may be submitted prior to the date of the hearing. Please submit any written comments regarding the proposed rules to the attention of:

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All written comments must be received by 5pm on August 10, 2019. All written comments will be published on the agency website at <https://nmhealth.org/publication/regulation/> within 3 days of receipt, and will be available at the New Mexico Department of Health Office of General Counsel for public inspection.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of special assistance or accommodations to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Franchesca Martinez by telephone at (505) 827-2997. The Department requests at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.