



PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

Pursuant to the Georgia Administrative Procedures Act, Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) § 50-13-1 et seq., the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to provide public notice of its intent to adopt, amend, or repeal certain rules other than interpretive rules or general statements of policy. Accordingly, the Department hereby provides notice of its intent to repeal its rules and regulations, specifically Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. r. 111-2-3, Patient's Right to Independent Review. These rules are being repealed pursuant to the authority granted to the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-2-5 and O.C.G.A. § 31-2-7. An exact copy of the revised rules and a synopsis of the revisions are attached to this public notice.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

An opportunity for public comment will be held on January 25, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. There will be no in-person attendance at the Department of Community Health. The Zoom meeting ID number is 839 5274 7561 and the event password is "**Public**". Follow these instructions to join the event:

1. Click the link or copy and paste the link text to a browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83952747561?pwd=M2ltZDNwUXBmL24wcGNudGpSMWNUZz09>

2. Click "Join Now"

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Oral comments will be limited to ten (10) minutes per person. Individuals who are disabled and require assistance to participate during this meeting should contact the Office of General Counsel at (404) 657-7195 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes must do so on or before February 1, 2023. Due to reduced physical staffing at the 2 Peachtree Street location and in an attempt to limit the amount of exposure to COVID-19, DCH encourages written public comments submitted in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(2) to be submitted via e-mail to the following e-mail address: **Public.Comment@dch.ga.gov**.

Written comments may be submitted via regular mail to the following address:



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT
OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

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Comments from written and public testimony will be provided to the Board of Community Health prior to March 9, 2023. The Board will vote on the proposed changes on March 9, 2023.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Caylee Noggle".

Caylee Noggle, Commissioner

**RULES OF
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**CHAPTER 111-2
HEALTH PLANNING DIVISION**

**SUBJECT 111-2-3
PATIENT'S RIGHT TO INDEPENDENT REVIEW**

SYNOPSIS OF REVISED RULES

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The Georgia Department of Community Health proposes to repeal in its entirety the Rules of Department of Community Health, Health Planning. These rules are being repealed pursuant to the authority granted to the Department of Community Health in O.C.G.A. § 31-2-5 and O.C.G.A. § 31-2-7.

MAIN FEATURES OF THE PROPOSED RULE:

The proposed rule changes reflect amendments to rules cited in Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. 111-2-3 in its entirety. 2022 HB 1013 transferred oversight of the Patient's Right to Independent Review from the Department of Community Health (DCH) to the Office of Commissioner of Insurance and Safety Fire (OCI). Therefore, this action repeals said rules made obsolete by the passage of House Bill 1013 which became law on July 1, 2022.

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111-2-3-.01 Repealed

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 31-6 et seq.

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