

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Title of Rule: Licensing Hospice Care (216-RICR-40-10-11)

Rule Identifier: 216-RICR-40-10-11

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: December 21, 2022

End of Public Comment: January 20, 2023

Rulemaking Authority:

Rhode Island General Laws §§ 23-17-2(7) and 23-17-10(a)(1)

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

RI Department of Health received a petition for rulemaking from the RI Physician Assistant Academy requesting to add physician assistants as an attending provider to the hospice regulations. RI Department of Health is in agreement with the request.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until January 20, 2023 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

REGULATORY ANALYSIS:

In development of this rule, consideration was given to:

- 1) Alternative approaches;
 - 2) Overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and
 - 3) Significant economic impact on small business
- No alternative approach, duplication or overlap was identified based on available information. RIDOH has determined that the benefits of the rule justify its costs.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.