

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CONCISE STATEMENT OF PROPOSED NON-TEHCNICAL AMENDMENTS
(AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING REGULATIONS)**

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-1.7(b)(8), the following is a concise statement of proposed non-technical amendments to *Licensing Doctors of Acupuncture and Doctors of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine (216-RICR-40-05-8)*

Amendment Coordinates	Rationale/Summary of Change
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title – Changed to “Licensing Doctors of Acupuncture and Doctors of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine” • Throughout – “Doctors of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine” is changed to “Doctors of Acupuncture and Doctors of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine” • § 8.2 - Definitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ “ACAOM” is changed to “ACAHM” to reflect the Commissions name change from Oriental to Herbal Medicine. ○ “Act” is changed to reflect the change in name of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 5-37.2 ○ “DAOM” is split into two definitions, one for “Doctor of Acupuncture” and one for “Doctor of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine.” ○ Added definitions for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Auricular acudetox ▪ Auricular acupuncture technician ▪ Chinese herbal medicine ▪ General supervision ▪ National Acupuncture Detoxification Association ▪ Qualified individual • §§ 8.3.2(A)(2), (3), and (6) – Added “(or any credentialing body meeting the standards for professional certification programs approved by the department).” • §§ 8.3.2(A)(7) and 8.4.1(A)(3) – Revised to require only two letters of reference and one which is from a licensed acupuncturist. • § 8.3.3(A) – Section revised to indicate requirements for a Doctor of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine license. • § 8.3.3(B) – Section added to indicate the evidence required for a Doctor of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine license. § 8.3.3(A)(1) and (2) were revised and moved to § 8.3.3(B). • § 8.4.1(A)(5) – Removed “and passed each of the following NCCAOM exam modules” and the modules that were originally listed. • § 8.5.1 – Added section for Auricular Acudetox and Auricular Acupuncture Technicians • § 8.9(C) – Revised the name and citations for regulations cited in this section.