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## OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR

### PROPOSED REVISED SECTION 4.1 (Housing for Employees Hired Outside the CNMI) OF THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR (OPA) PERSONNEL REGULATIONS

*Citation of*

*Statutory Authority:*

The revised Section 4.1 of the regulations is established pursuant to 1 CMC §2305, as repealed and reenacted by Public Law No. 9-68, which authorizes the Public Auditor to establish personnel regulations for the employees of his office who are exempt from the Commonwealth Civil Service Act.

*Short Statement of*

*Goals and Objectives:*

To provide regulations governing the employees' housing benefits, functions of the Housing Committee, and responsibilities of OPA and employees.

*Brief Summary of*

*the Rule:*

To revise and replace existing Section 4.1 of personnel regulations.

*For Further*

*Information Contact:*

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*Citation of Related*


*and/or Affected*

*Statutes Regulations*

*and Orders:*

OPA Personnel Regulations, Volume 19, Number 07 of the Commonwealth Register, July 15, 1997.

Submitted by:

  
LEO L. LAMOTTE  
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Date: 5/12/98



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### PROPOSED REVISED SECTION 4.1 (Housing for Employees Hired Outside the CNMI) OF OPA PERSONNEL REGULATIONS

The Public Auditor hereby provides public notice of the Proposed Revised Section 4.1 (Housing for Employees Hired Outside the CNMI) of the Office of the Public Auditor (OPA) Personnel Regulations.

The Proposed Revised Section 4.1 of OPA Personnel Regulations govern the employees' housing benefits, functions of the Housing Committee, and responsibilities of OPA and employees. The revised Section 4.1 of the regulations is established pursuant to 1 CMC §2305, as repealed and reenacted by Public Law No. 9-68, which authorizes the Public Auditor to establish personnel regulations for the employees of his office who are exempt from the Commonwealth Civil Service Act. The revised Section 4.1 of the regulations revises and replaces existing Section 4.1 of personnel regulations which were published in Volume 19, Number 07 of the Commonwealth Register on July 15, 1997.

The proposed revised Section 4.1 of the regulations are published in the Commonwealth Register. Copies of the proposed revised regulations may be obtained from the Office of the Public Auditor, Gualo Rai, P.O. Box 1399, Saipan, MP 96950.

Anyone interested in commenting on these proposed revised regulations may do so in writing, addressed to the Public Auditor, at the address given above not later than 30 days from the date of its publication in the Commonwealth Register.

Issued by: Leo L. LaMotte 4/6/98  
Leo L. LaMotte, Public Auditor Date

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by P.L. 10-50, the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 18th day of May, 1998.

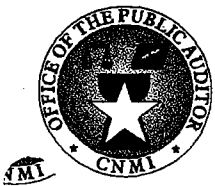
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## NUTISIAN PUPBLIKU

### I MAPROPOPONI NA RINIBISAN SEKSIONA 4.1 (Liheng Emplehao Siha ni Manma'engansa gi Hiyong I CNMI) PUT REGULASION EMPLEHAON OPA SIHA

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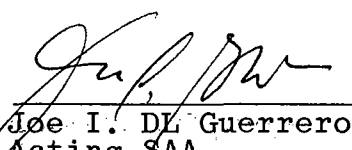
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Linaknos as:  4/6/98  
Leo L. LaMotte, Public Auditor Fecha


Sigun gi sinangan yan fuetsan 1 CMC §2153 ni inamenda ni Lai Pupbliku 10-50 i areklamento yan regulasion ni chechetton guine esta manma ina yan apreba ni Ofisinan Attorney General giya Saipan.

Ma Fecha gi mina 18<sup>th</sup> na dia guine na mes May, 1998.

  
Sally B. Pfund  
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## ARONGORONGOL TOULAP

### POMWOL LLIWEL, LLÓL TÁLIL 4.1 (Reel Imweer Schóól Angaang Kka re Hired-liir Me Lúghúl CNMI) MEREEL ALLEGHÚL OPA PERSONNEL

Public Auditor sáangi milleel ekke arongaar toulap reel Pomwol Lliwel Llól Talil 4.1 (Reel emweer schóól Angaang Kka Re Hired-liir Me Lúghúl CNMI) Mereel Alléghúl OPA Personnel.

Pomwol Lliwel, Llól Tálil 4.1 Mereel Alléghúl OPA Personnel e lemeli schóól angaang reel housing benefits, mwóghútúl housing committee, bwal respónsibilidóodul OPA bwal schóól angaang. Reel Lliwel Kka Llól Tálil 4.1 allégh kkaal e fféerétá bwelle sáangi aileewal autol 1 CMC §2305 reel igha e lliiwel me apiyeew sefáál sáangi Alléghúl Toulap No. 9-68, iye e ngálleey bwángil Public Auditor reel ebwe fféer alléghul personnel bwelle reel schóól angaangal llól bwulasiyol ikka rese lo llól Commonwealth Civil Service Act. Lliwel kka Llól Talil 4.1 allégh kkaal e lliiweli meta kka eyoor iyeeey llól Tálil 4.1 reel alléghúl personnel ikkiwe e póblikalong llól Volume 19, Numero 07 mereel Commonwealth Register llól maram we Wuum (July) 15, 1997.

Pomwol Fféerúl Lliwel kka Llól Tálil 4.1 reell allégh kkaal nge a póblikalong Commonwealth Register. Kopiyal pomwol lliiwel kkaal nge emmwel ubwe bweibwogh mereel bwulasiyol Public Auditor, Gualo Rai, P.O. Box 1399, Saipan MP, 96950.

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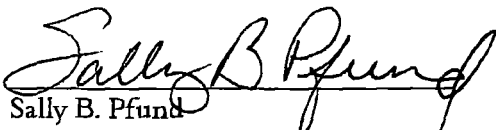
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Sangi 1 CMC §2153 igha a lliiwel mereel P.L. 10-50 allegh kkaal nge Bwulasiyool CNMI Attorney General a takkal piipiil me alughulghuuy.

Ral ye 18th llol maramal May, 1998.


  
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## **PROPOSED REVISED SECTION 4.1 (Housing for Employees Hired Outside the CNMI) OF THE OPA PERSONNEL REGULATIONS**

### **4 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

#### **4.1 Housing for Employees Hired Outside the CNMI**

4.1.1 **Housing Benefits.** An employee hired outside the Commonwealth under Excepted Service contract may receive either housing or housing allowance.

- 1) At the discretion of the Public Auditor, an employee hired with dependent/s will receive either free family government housing or a housing allowance for the lease of family private housing.
- 2) At the discretion of the Public Auditor, an employee hired without dependent/s will receive free single government housing or a housing allowance for the lease of single private housing.
- 3) The Public Auditor has the discretion to increase the housing benefits of employees.
- 4) If government-owned housing is unavailable and a lease of private housing has not been arranged, the employee will receive a temporary lodging allowance equal to the government's established per diem rate for travel at the duty station. If this rate is insufficient to pay for temporary lodging and meals, the Public Auditor may authorized a greater allowance.

4.1.2 **Housing Allowance.** Housing allowance will be equal to the prevailing rate established by the CNMI Personnel Office. However, employees will only be given housing allowances up to the amount of the actual monthly rent stated in the lease contract with the lessor if the monthly rent is less than the prevailing rate established by the Personnel Office. The employee will be required to present the lease contract for private houses for the purpose of establishing the amount of the employees' monthly housing allowance.

#### **Free Government Housing**

4.1.3 A Housing Committee will be established for the purpose of evaluating the housing needs of OPA employees hired outside of the CNMI. Depending on the housing units (government-owned or government-leased housing) available and the number of employees to be provided with housing units, the Committee will decide the fair and reasonable distribution of housing units. The housing

committee will be composed of the Legal Counsel, Administrative Officer, and one representative each from the Audit and Investigation Division. The Committee will make recommendations to the Public Auditor for approval.

4.1.4 Government-owned or government-leased housing, if provided to an employee, must be in habitable condition and ready for occupancy as a single or family dwelling apartment or housing unit. Government housing unit should be provided by the lessor or OPA with the following:

- 1) facilities or ready connection for utilities (e.g., power and water)
- 2) bathroom and toilet facilities
- 3) essential kitchen and dining needs like cooking range, refrigerator, dining table, and chairs
- 4) essential living room and bedroom furniture like bed(s) and living room table/sofa sets.

Employee may opt to use their own or add additional furniture, fixtures, appliances, etc. at their own expense.

4.1.5 **Responsibilities.** OPA and the employee provided with government-owned or government-leased housing have the following responsibilities:

- 1) OPA is responsible for repairs to government-owned housing not caused by employee (or dependent/s) negligence.
- 2) The employee will be assessed a deposit fee payable to OPA upon his or her occupancy of government-owned or government-leased housing to cover the costs of clean-up or damage to premises, furniture, and appliances attributable to employee (or dependent/s), other than ordinary wear and tear. The amount of deposit shall be \$150 (without dependent/s) or \$300 (with dependent/s) per housing unit.
- 3) The employee is responsible for utility and trash collection costs.
- 4) The employee is responsible for taking reasonable action to protect government-owned housing entrusted to him or her from damage (e.g., covering/boarding glass windows during typhoons).
- 5) The check-in and check-out procedures are as follows.
  - a. Upon assignment of the government housing unit, the OPA



Management Representative and the employee to whom the unit is assigned will conduct a joint inspection and concurrently document the status of the units, along with maintenance and repairs required. The OPA Management Representative will then notify the Director of Public Works or the lessor, in writing, of the maintenance and repairs required.

- b. Upon occupancy of the assigned government housing unit, the OPA Management Representative and the employee will inspect the unit. The OPA Management Representative shall list all government-owned household furnishings assigned to the unit in an "Inventory of Government-owned Household Furnishing" sheet. The employee shall acknowledge possession of the government-owned household furnishings by placing his/her signature and the current date in the appropriate spaces provided in the inventory sheets. The OPA Management Representative shall also sign in the inventory sheets to document the inspection conducted.
- c. When an employee is to vacate his/her assigned unit, the OPA Management Representative and the employee will inspect the unit, after household goods have been packed. Employees are responsible for leaving the units and appliances/furnishings in an acceptable state of order and cleanliness. Deposit fees will be forfeited in part or in total, based on the results of the OPA Management Representative's inspection and his/her judgement. Where extensive damage has been done to units by the occupants, the employee may be charged an additional amount of money, as determined by the OPA Management Representative and a representative of Public Works or the lessor, for the purpose of restoring the units to an acceptable state of repair. If no clean-up or repairs are required, OPA will refund the employee's deposit in his/her final payroll check.
- d. The OPA Management Representative shall perform routine scheduled inspections of all government-owned or government-leased housing units, and shall maintain records of such inspections. He/she shall make every effort to insure:
  - (1) that premises are kept in good condition, and
  - (2) that Public Works or the lessor make needed repairs in a timely fashion.

4.1.6 Government housing is intended for the use of the employee and his/her dependent/s. No person who is not a dependent may remain in government

housing for more than 30 days unless it is approved in writing by the Public Auditor.

- 4.1.7 No employee, whose contract has been terminated or has expired, may remain in government-owned or government-leased housing unless it is approved in writing by the Public Auditor.

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**CNMI BOARD OF EDUCATION**

*Citation of*

*Statutory Authority:*

The board of Education Promulgated these proposed amendments pursuant to the powers granted it by Article XV of the CNMI's Constitution, Public Law 6-10, and the CNMI's Administrative Procedures Act

*Short statement of*

*Goals & Objectives:*

The intent of the following amendments is to provide more flexibility and a higher standard within the CNMI PSS for High school Graduation requirements and also to provide a more meaningful division of responsibility for the Board's Standing Committees.

*Brief Summary of the*

*Proposed Amendments:*

To provide more flexibility and a higher standard within the CNMI PSS for High School Graduation requirements and also to provide a more meaningful division of responsibility for the Board's Standing Committees.

*For further*

*Information contact:*

Joe C. Mafnas, Board Special Assistant at telephone number 664-3711 or fax number 664-3717.

*Citation of Related*

*and/or Affected Statutes,*

*Regulations, and Orders:* Board of Education By-Laws and PSS Policy 408.1



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CNMI BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW AND
AMENDED BOE BY-LAWS

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Board of Education, hereby notifies the general public of its intention to amend existing Regulations previously called Policies and Board of Education By-Laws. The proposed Regulations previously called Policies and Board of Education By-Law amendments are promulgated pursuant to the authority provided by Article XV of the CNMI Constitution, Public Law 6-10 and the CNMI's Administrative Procedures Act.

The proposed amended Regulations previously called Policies and Board of Education By-Laws involve the following subject areas:

- 1) Junior High School and High School Graduation requirements.
2) Creation of new standing Committees of the Board of Education.

The text of the Regulations previously called Policies and Board of Education By-Law amendments are published following this notice. Anyone interested in commenting on the proposed amendments may do so by submitting those comments in writing to the Chairwoman of the Board of Education at: P.O. Box 1370CK, Saipan, MP 96950 within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this issue of the Commonwealth Register.

April 1, 1998

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Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50 the BOE by-law amendments have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Office of the Attorney General.

Dated this 18th day of May, 1998.

Sally B. Pfund,
CNMI Attorney General [Acting]

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KUETPON IDUKASION**

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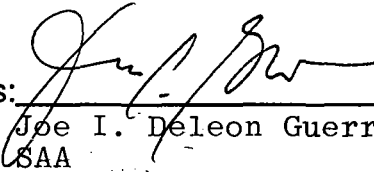
1. Areklon i graduasion gi Tinalo' yan sanhilo' na atturan eskuela ma gradua.  
(Junior high and High school graduation requirements)
2. Mana'guahan i nuevo na kumiten I Kuetpon Idukasion  
(Creation of new standing committee of the BOE)

I emfotmasion put i amendasion i Rigulasion ni hagas na Areklon I Kuetpon Idukasion u maemprenta yan ma popblika despues di este na nutisia. Hayi entrerisao mama'tinas rikumendasion siña ha cho'gue kumo ha tugi'i guato i Ge'helo'l Kuetpon Idukasion gi P.O. Box 1370 CK, Saipan, MP 96950 gi halom i trenta (30) dihas desde i mapublika-ña este gi Rihistron i Commonwealth.


**Abril 1, 1998**

**Marja Lee Taitano  
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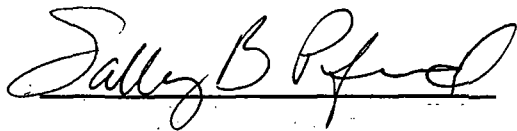
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Señora Soledad B. Sasamoto

Sigun gi 1 CMC §2153 komu ma amenda ni P.L. 10-50 i Amendasion Areklon I Kuetpon Idukasion "BOE" ma ina yan ma aprueba ni Ufisinan Abugaon Hinirat i CNMI.

Ma fecha guini gi diha 18<sup>th</sup> di May, 1998

Abugaon Hinirat CNMI, (Temporario)

  
Sally B. Pineda



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Commonwealth Metawal Wóól Falúw kka Marianas Board of Education sáangi milleel ekke arongaar toulap gha ebwe lliwel allégh kka eyoor ighal ikka reghal ira ighiwe bwe Policies and Board of Education By-Laws, Reel pomwolil allegh kkaal ikka reghal ighiwe bwe Policies and Board of Education By-Laws lliwel kkaal ikka a arongawow bwelle reel autol bwangil iye elo llol Article XV mellol CNMI Constitution, Alleghúl Toulap 6-10 me CNMI Administrative Procedures Act.

Pomwol lliwel reel Allégh Kkaal reghal ira ighiwe bwe Policies and Board of Education By-Laws nge ebwal schuulong tálii kkaal.

1. Junior High School me High School Graduation requirements.
2. Creation of new Standing Committees of the Board of Education.


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April 01, 1998

**Marja Lee Taitano  
Chairwoman, Board of Education**

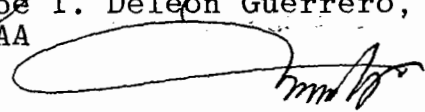
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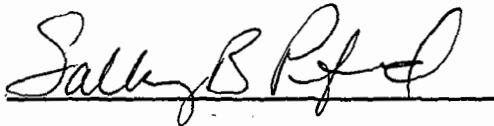
  
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Ilól maramal May 1998.

CNMI Attorney General (Acting)

  
Sally B. Pford



## POLICY 408 GRADUATION

### 408.1 Graduation Requirements

#### Elementary and Jr. Junior High School Level

A minimum of ~~40~~ 11 credits will be required for graduation from the 8th grade. Subject areas are as follows: (~~English Language Arts~~ (2), ~~Mathematics~~ (2), ~~Social Studies~~ (2), ~~Science~~ (2), ~~Voc. Ed. Vocational Education~~ (4.5) and ~~P.E. Physical Education~~ (1), ~~Chamorro and/or Carolinian~~ (1), ~~Computers~~ (.5).\*

*\* Effective School Year 1999-2000*

#### High School Level

A minimum of ~~23~~ 21 credits will be required for graduation from the 12th grade. ~~Required~~ Subject areas are: English (4), Social Studies (3), ~~Mathematics~~ (3), Science (3) [1 credit of Agriculture may be substituted for 1 credit of Science], ~~P.E. Physical Education~~ (4) [2] [1 credit of JROTC may be substituted for 1 credit of Physical Education], ~~Electives~~ (6), ~~Foreign Language~~ (1), ~~Computer Computer Science~~ (0.5), ~~Cultural Literacy~~ (0.5), ~~Career Development/Education~~ (1). Effective date of this requirement will be the Freshmen Class entering high school during School Year 1998-99, the Class of 2002.

~~Marianas Northern Mariana Island History, Basic Algebra, Health (which should include a parenting skills module), and 1 credit of a language other than English, are among the required courses. Biology and Health are among the required courses. Health and Career Development must be taken at the ninth grade level, unless an exemption is granted by the Commissioner of Education.~~

#### Residency Requirement

Must have attended at least one semester immediately prior to obtaining a high school diploma. (Must be enrolled in 6 classes a day as a full time student).

## New Policy

### 410.6 Honors Courses

High schools may establish honors courses in the four main academic core areas of Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts. Each department may identify two courses as honors courses. These courses should be designed to meet the rigorous standards expected of at least freshman college courses. Courses shall be weighted as follows:

#### Grade Point Average (gpa)

A = 5

B = 4

C = 3

D = 1

F = 0

## AMENDMENTS TO BOE BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE IX. COMMITTEES

Section 1. There shall be the following standing committees of the Board

(Committees designated A through G remain unchanged but the following two committees are added)

H Committee on Capital Improvement Projects and PSS Property (CIP Committee)

I Certification Committee

Section 2. The duties and responsibilities of the standing committees shall be as follows:

(Committee responsibilities A through G remain the same but the following responsibilities for Committees H and I are added)

H Committee on Capital Improvement Projects and PSS Property (CIP Committee)

- \* To identify all PSS real property boundaries, cadastral plats, deeds of title, and physical plants
- \* To develop school infrastructure plans
- \* To seek funding for CIP projects
- \* To designate fund allocations per school as ascertained by the BOE and PSS 7-year CIP Plan
- \* To identify and catalogue all PSS real and collateral property
- \* To seek deeds of title to all PSS property

I Certification Committee

- \* To act on behalf of the Board in making determinations on the granting of certificates to teachers and librarians pursuant to Section 2305 of the Public School System's Regulations for the Employment of Certified Personnel
- \* The Committee shall consist of three members, two of which are voting members of the Board, and one of which is a non-voting member of the Board. All three members may vote in certification committee matters. Voting members of the Board who are not members of the Committee may not attend committee meetings, as they may be required to hear the appeal of a matter heard previously before the committee.



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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Citation of Statutory Authority:** The Department of Commerce proposes amendments to regulations pursuant to 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104, 4 CMC § 7105.

**Short Statement of Goals and Objectives:** The proposed amendments to the INSURANCE REGULATIONS are made in order to make the bonding process of nonresident workers accountable, efficient, and responsive.

**Brief Summary of the Proposed Amendments:** The proposed amendments to the INSURANCE REGULATIONS provide for increased security deposits for insurance companies, increased reserve requirements for workman's compensation policy-offerors, and improved withdrawal procedures for companies in the process of ceasing operations in the Commonwealth.

**For further information contact:** Mr. Oscar C. Camacho, Commissioner of Insurance, 664-3024, 664-3067 (fax.).

**Citation of Related and/or Affected Statutes, Regulations, and Orders:** 4 CMC § 7101 et seq., and the INSURANCE REGULATIONS, Comm. Reg., Vol. 16, No. 11, at 12586-12606 (November 15, 1994).



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## PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE INSURANCE COMPANY REGULATIONS


CONTENTS: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE INSURANCE COMPANY  
REGULATIONS, Commonwealth Register,  
Vol. 16, No. 11, at 12596, (November 15, 1994), Section 15:

Section 15. SECOND RULE. SECURITY DEPOSIT

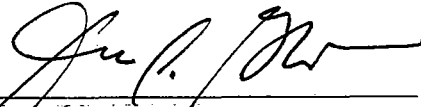
(See Attached Proposed Rules)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** All interested persons may submit written  
comments about the proposed amendments to the Secretary, Department  
of Commerce, P.O. Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950, on or before June  
15, 1998.

**AUTHORITY:** The Department of Commerce is authorized to promulgate  
regulations pursuant to 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104, and 4 CMC § 7105.

  
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BERNADITA T. PALACIOS  
Acting Secretary, Dept. of Commerce

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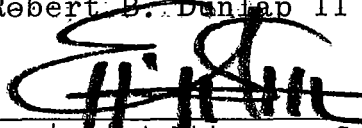
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Pursuant to 1 CMC § 2153, as amended by P.L. 10-50, the rules and  
regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to  
form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

DATED this 11 day of June, 1998.

Attorney General (Acting)  
Robert B. Dunlap II

By:   
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Assistant Attorney General  
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## NUTISIAN PUBLIKU PUT I INTENSION PARA U MA ADAPTA I AMENDASION SIHA GI AREKLAMENTO YAN REGULASION COMPANIA INSURANCE

**SUHETU:** PROPOSITU NA AMENDASION GIREGULASION YAN AREKLAMENTON COMPANIA INSURANCE, Commonwealth Register, Vol. 16, No. 11, gi 12596, (Noviembre 15, 1994), Seksiona 15:

SEKSIONA 15. AREKLAMENTON SEGUNDU. DEPOSITU SECURIDAT.

(Areglos Propositu Gaigi Na)

**KOMENTUN PUBLIKU:** Todu man enteresau na taotao pot i propositu amendasion, pot fabot, tugi pa ya na halom gi Ofisina Secretariu, Depattamenton Kometsiu, P.O. Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950 gi dia Juniu 15, 1998.

**ATURIDAT:** I Dipattamenton Kometsiu ma aturisa para u famatinas Regulasion sigun gi sinangan i 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104, 4 CMC § 7105.

BERNADITA T. PALACIOS  
Acting Secretariu, Depattamenton Kometsiu

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Ma Recibi as:

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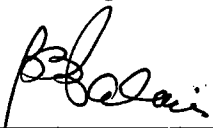
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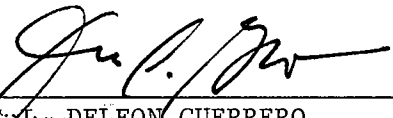
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**BWANG:** Dipatamentool Commerce eyoor bwangil bwe ebwe ffeer Alleghul sangi bwangil me aileewal mille 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104, 4 CMC § 7105.

  
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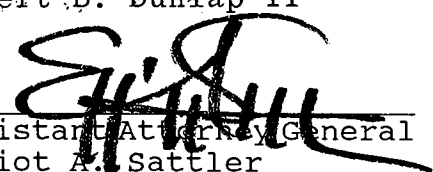
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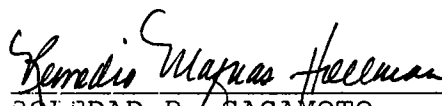
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**Section 15. SECOND RULE. SECURITY DEPOSIT.**

- A. As security for the faithful performance of its obligations, each insurer before engaging in the business of surety for labor as required by the Chief of Labor on the bonding of nonresident workers shall deposit with the Treasurer of the Commonwealth twenty-five percent of its surety risk exposure directly on the bonding of nonresident workers or One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) United States Dollars in time deposits for a period of not less than one year in a bank licensed by the CNMI Director of Banking; or an irrevocable letter of credit for \$100,000 for the benefit of nonresident workers having valid labor claims from a duly licensed bank in the CNMI and such value must be maintained at all times. The Insurance Commissioner prescribes the following procedures and guidelines:
- (1) On or before renewal of an insurer's Certificate of Authority it must present to the Insurance Commissioner the required security deposit or irrevocable letter of credit and a listing of all nonresident labor bonds. The listing shall include such items as names of insured, employers, amount of coverage, and dates of the expiration of such bonds;
  - (2) Time deposit account or irrevocable letter of credit must show "Insurance company "and " the CNMI Treasurer "or" the Insurance Commissioner" as holders of the account or as beneficiaries.
  - (3) The Commissioner shall notify Treasurer and Company of accounts maturity date and Treasurer shall be authorized to renew or terminate such account pursuant to instructions from the Commissioner;
  - (4) Release of the Security deposit and demand on letter of credit shall be accomplished by authority from the Insurance Commissioner and only upon satisfaction of the following conditions:
    - (a) Insurer files for bankruptcy, or
    - (b) A reasonable determination by the Insurance Commissioner and after making findings that the circumstances surrounding the release warrants for such release. Reasons, findings, and determinations must be documented.



- (c) The Insurance Commissioner shall conduct examinations and request insurance companies to provide listing of new bonds issued, and require such companies to increase security deposits relative to the increase in the risk exposure as found by the Insurance Commissioner.
- (d) ~~The Chief of Labor shall furnish the Insurance Commissioner a summary of nonresident labor bond information. Information shall include names of insurance companies, the number of employees insured by such companies, and total amount of coverage per insurance company. This summary should be presented to the Commissioner on or before December 15th of each year.~~
- (5) From time to time the Insurance Commissioner shall issue statements describing Administrative Policies and by virtue of his discretionary authority, the Commissioner shall consult with the Secretary of Labor and Immigration on issues, concerns, and problems surrounding the arrangement of labor bonds. Administrative Policies will be distributed annually as reminders.

**Section 15(a). THIRD RULE. RESERVE REQUIREMENT.**

Any and all policies written to cover Worker's Compensation Claims in the Commonwealth must be written by Members of the Northern Marianas Insurance Association ("NMIA") and approved, in advance, by the Commissioner of Insurance with the concurrence of the Commonwealth Worker's Compensation Commission. The Reserve Requirement for NMIA Members offering Policies written to cover Worker's Compensation Claims in the Commonwealth shall be the equivalent of sixty-six percent (66%) of the cumulative premiums earned by the respective NMIA Member from Worker's Compensation Policies for the immediate three (3) years preceding the earning of the premium from each Worker's Compensation Policy. The applicable rate, or tariff, allowable to be charged for Worker's Compensation Claims Policies in the Commonwealth shall be one uniform rate and shall be published by the Commissioner of Insurance annually in the July Commonwealth Register, following written submission of input from any and all NMIA Members.

**Section 15(b). FOURTH RULE. WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURES**

Any and all Alien Insurers and Foreign Insurers, as defined by applicable Commonwealth Statutes and Regulations, as a condition for doing insurance business in the Commonwealth, do appoint, upon suspension, revocation, withdrawal, or refusal to extend the Insurer's Certificate of Authority, the Insurance Commissioner as the

Registered Agent for Service of Process for the respective Alien Insurer or Foreign Insurer. Any and all Alien Insurers and Foreign Insurers who wish to withdraw their Certificate of Authority must also comply with the following:

- (a) An insurer who desires to withdraw from the CNMI must first make an application to the Commissioner for an order granting permission to withdraw.
- (b) Such application shall be accompanied by an affidavit of its principal officer and general agent, that:
  - (1) It desires to withdraw and to permanently discontinue the transaction of insurance business in the CNMI.
  - (2) All its outstanding policies have either expired or have been reinsured, in which case it shall file an affidavit by the reinsurance company stating that it has reinsured certain policies of the withdrawing company and setting forth in detail the policies it has reinsured; and that
  - (3) All existing claims arising out of insurance transacted in the CNMI have been paid in full.
- (c) It shall cause publication of a notice of its intention to withdraw in a newspaper of general circulation in the CNMI once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, and shall cause said newspaper to file an affidavit of publication with Commissioner.
- (d) If any person shall object to such withdrawal within one (1) week from date of last publication, and give good and sufficient cause therefore, the Commissioner may order that permission for such withdrawal be refused.
- (e) If the insurer has complied with the provisions of this section and no objection has been made, or if objection is made but without good and sufficient cause, the Commissioner shall order permission to withdraw and the withdrawing insurer shall deliver to the Commissioner for cancellation its Certificate of Authority and current business licenses of its agents and solicitors.



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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Citation of Statutory Authority:

The Department of Commerce proposes amendments to regulations pursuant to 1 CMC §§ 2454, 2594-96 (modified by Section 302(a) of Executive Order 94-3 text printed in Reorganization Plan No. 2, E.O. 94-2, Comm. Reg. Vol. 16, No. 6, at 11930 [June 15, 1994]), 9104.

### Short Statement of Goals and Objectives:

The proposed amendments to the TAXICAB REGULATIONS are made to raise some taxi rates in order for taxicab operators to meet the increasing costs of compliance with taxi industry standards.

### Brief Summary of the Proposed Amendments:

The proposed amendments to the INSURANCE REGULATIONS provide for increased taxicab rates for the initial flag down rate and increased rates for each additional 1/4 mile thereafter.

### For further information contact:

Ms. Bernadita T. Palacios, Acting Sec'y of Commerce, 664-3000, 664-3067 (fax.).

### Citation of Related and /or Affected Statutes, Regulations, and Orders:

1 CMC §§ 2594-96 (modified by Section 302(a) of Executive Order 94-3 text printed in Reorganization Plan No. 2, E.O. 94-2, Comm. Reg. Vol. 16, No. 6, at 11930 [June 15, 1994]), and the TAXICAB REGULATIONS, Comm. Reg., Vol. 14, No. 2, at 8904-28 (February 15, 1992).



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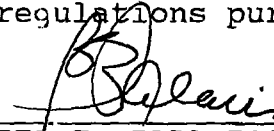
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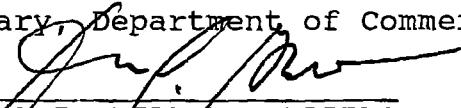
(See Attached Proposed Rules)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** All interested persons may submit written data, views, or arguments about the proposed amendments to the Secretary, Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 100007, Saipan, MP 96950, on or before July 15, 1998.

**AUTHORITY:** The Department of Commerce is authorized to promulgate regulations pursuant to 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104.

  
BERNADITA T. PALACIOS  
Acting Secretary, Department of Commerce

6/3/98  
Date


Received by:   
JOSE I. DELEON GUERRERO  
Governor's Special Ass't  
for Administration

6/4/98  
Date

Pursuant to 1 CMC § 2153, as amended by P.L. 10-50, the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

DATED this 11 day of June, 1998.

Attorney General (Acting)  
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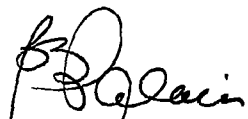
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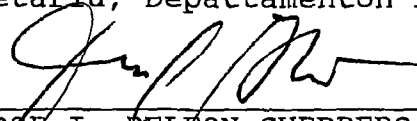
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Depattamenton Kometsiu, P.O. Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950 gi dia  
Juliu 15, 1998.

**ATURIDAT:** I Dipattamenton Kometsiu ma aturisa para u famatinas  
Regulasion siçun gi sinangan i 1 CMC §§ 2454, 9104.

  
BERNADITA T. PALACIOS  
Acting Secretariu, Depattamenton Kometsiu

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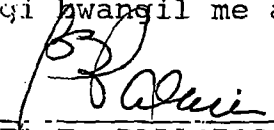
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TALIL 1506. Abas sol me rel Taxi.


(Atool kkal Alleghul)

**TIPEER ME MANGEMANGIIR TOWLAP:** Aramas ye e tipali nge emm...  
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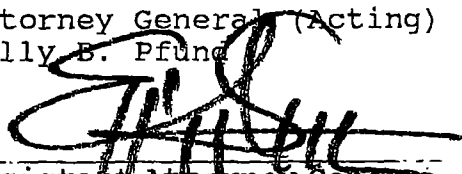
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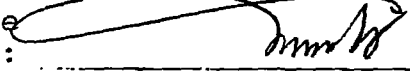
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Section 1506. Taxi Rates -- Charges.

Every taxicab owner, taxi company or driver, who owns or has control over any taxicab, shall assess a passenger-for-hire the following rates, fares, or charges:

a.	FLAG DOWN RATE (good for first 1/2 mile)..	<del>\$2.00</del>	<u>\$2.50</u>
b.	1st Mile.....		<u>\$4.00</u>
c.	Every additional 1/4 mile thereafter.....	<del>\$.70</del>	<u>\$0.75</u>
d.	Waiting time, every 2 minutes.....		<u>\$0.75</u>



# COMMONWEALTH HEALTH CENTER

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GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Citation of Statutory Authority: 1 CMC §2605 states that "the Department of Public Health . . . shall adopt rules and regulations regarding those matters over which it has jurisdiction, including but not limited to regulations deemed necessary to the public health and safety respecting: (j) Hospitals, clinics. . . ." 1 CMC §2603(f) grants the Department of Public Health the power and duty to administer all government-owned health care facilities.

Short Statement of Goals & Objectives: The Department of Public Health must revise its fee schedule from time to time in order to reflect the actual cost of providing health services, or to add fees for services that become available as a result of new equipment acquisitions or the addition of medical personnel in a particular specialty area.

Brief Summary of the Proposed Rule: To establish fees for services provided at the various health care facilities operated by the Department of Public Health, including the Commonwealth Health Center, the Tinian Health Center, the Rota Health Center, the Division of Public Health, and the San Antonio Clinic.

Contact Person(s): Lina Villagomez, Technical Analyst, CHC.

Citation of Related and/or Affected Statutes, Regulations, and Orders: Department of Public Health Fee Schedule, published in Vol. 17, No. 2 of the Commonwealth Register, pages 12752-12948 (February 15, 1995), and amendments thereto.

Date: 6/10/98

Celeste E. Andersen  
Celeste E. Andersen, Legal Counsel  
Department of Public Health



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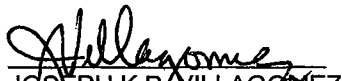
## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Title 1 CMC Division 2, Chapter 12, and in particular 1 CMC §2603(f) and 2605(j), provides that the Secretary of the Department of Public Health (DPH) shall administer all government owned facilities and shall implement rules and regulations for the efficient delivery of health services in the CNMI.

Pursuant to this authority, the Secretary is amending specific fees from the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees which was published in its entirety, and adopted, in the Commonwealth Register Volume 17, Number 2, dated February 15, 1995 and Volume 17, Number 4, dated April 15, 1995, respectively. These amendments are necessary to reflect accurately in the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees the types of services that are now being provided by the Department. The amendments are attached herewith and will be incorporated into the DPH Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees upon adoption.

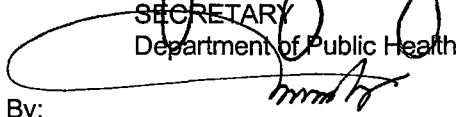
In adopting these Amendments to the Schedule of Fees, it is the intention of the Department of Public Health to comply with the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act, specifically 1 CMC §9104. Copies of the proposed Amendments to the Schedule of Fees may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of Public Health located at the ground floor of CHC. Comments on the proposed Amendments to the Schedule of Fees may be sent to the Office of the Secretary of Public Health, P.O. Box 409 CK, Saipan, MP 96950. All comments must be received within 30 days from the date this notice is published in the Commonwealth Register.

Certified By:

  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
SECRETARY  
Department of Public Health

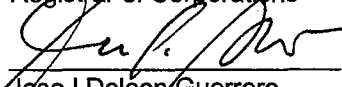
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Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50 the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 12 day of June 1998.

Sally B. Pfund  
Attorney General (Acting)

  
Elliot Gatter, SA

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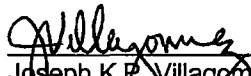
**PRINUPONI SIHA NA AMENDASION GI LISTAN APAS  
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I Titulu I gi Kodikon Commonwealth (CMC) Dibision 2, Kapitulu 12 yan patikulatmente i 1 CMC §2603(f) yan 2606(j), ha pribebeni i Sikritarion Dipattamenton Public Health (DPH osino' Dipattamenton Hinemlo' Publiku, na para guiya u atministra todü fasilidat gobetno siha yan u enfuetsa todü areklamento yan regulasion siha para minaolek mana'en setbision hinemlo' gi halom i (CNMI) Islas Marianas.

Sigun gi este na aturidat, i Sikritariu ha amemenda espisifiku siha na presiu ginen i lista put mediku yan otro siha apas (Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees) ni ma publika gi entieru-na, yan ma adapta, gi Rehistran Commonwealth, Volume 17, Numeru 2, gi Febreru 15, 1995 yan Volume 17, Numero 4, gi Abrit 15, 1995. Prisisu este siha na amendasion gi listan presiu siha put mediku yan otro siha apas put para u riflekta i dinanche siha na klasin setbisio ni ma pribeni gi dipattamento. I amendasion mandadana sigun este na notisia ya u ma na patte gi lista put mediku yan otro siha apas (Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees) gi depattamento gi ma adaptanna.

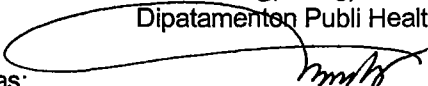
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Mas settefika nu as:

  
Joseph K.P. Villagomez  
Sektretariu (Acting)  
Dipattamenton Publi Health

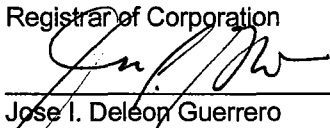
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Pursuan to 1 CMC 2153 as amended by PL 10-50 the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1998.

Sally B. Pfund  
Attorney General (Acting)

By: ELLIOTT A. SATTLER  
Elliot Sattler, AAG

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
AMENDMENT TO THE SCHEDULE OF MEDICAL  
AND OTHER RELATED FEES**

<b><u>CPT#</u></b>	<b><u>CPT SHORT DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT (IN US \$)</u></b>
19290	Preoperative placement of needle localization wire, breast	\$ 80.00
26520	Capsulectomy or capsulotomy for contracture metacarpophalangeal joint, single each	\$ 459.00
26530	Arthroplasty, metacarpophalangeal joint; single, each	\$ 558.00
26591	Repair, intrinsic muscles of hand (specify)	\$ 350.00
26952	Amputation, finger or thumb, primary or secondary, any joint or phalanx, single with local advancement flaps(V-Y, hood)	\$ 482.00
27060	Excision; ischial bursa	\$ 420.00
27170	Bone graft, femoral head, neck, etc. (includes obtaining bone graft)	\$1,528.00
29010	Application of Risser jacket, localizer, body	\$ 213.00
31830	Revision of tracheostomy scar	\$ 375.00
32480	Removal of lung, other than total pneumonectomy; single lobe (lobectomy)	\$ 1,675.00
32650	Thoracoscopy, surgical; with pleurodesis any method	\$ 854.00
35001	Direct repair of aneurysm, false aneurysm; for aneurysm and associated, by neck incision	\$1,675.00
35092	Direct repair of aneurysm; for ruptured aneurysm	\$3,039.00
35161	Direct repair of aneurysm; other arteries	\$1,642.00
35206	Repair blood vessel, direct; neck	\$ 930.00
35875	Thrombectomy of arterial or venous graft	\$ 852.00
36534	Revision of implantable venous access port	\$ 336.00
39010	Mediastinotomy with exploration, drainage removal of foreign body, or biopsy; transthoracic approach, including either transthoracic or median sternotomy	\$1,094.00
39501	Repair, laceration of diaphragm, any approach	\$1,119.00
40700	Plastic repair of cleft lip/nasal deformity	\$ 980.00
42145	Glossectomy; complete or total	\$ 788.00
42205	Palatoplasty for cleft palate, with closure of alveolar ridge; soft tissue only	\$ 926.00
42408	Excision of sublingual salivary cyst (ranula)	\$ 361.00
42440	Excision of submandibular gland	\$ 701.00
43220	Esophagoscopy, rigid or flexible; with balloon	\$ 227.00

	dilation (less than 30mm diameter)	
45905	Dilation of anal sphincter (separate procedure) under anesthesia other than local	\$ 105.00
46220	Papillectomy or excision of single tag, anus	\$ 102.00
46604	Anoscopy; with dilation, any method	\$ 79.00
49525	Repair inguinal hernia, sliding, any age	\$ 616.00
52640	Transurethral resection; of postoperative bladder neck contracture	\$ 589.00
54830	Excision of local lesion of epididymis	\$ 404.00
55540	Excision of hydrocele of spermatic cord with hernia repair	\$ 572.00
56315	Laparoscopy, surgical; appendectomy	\$ 538.00
56341	Laparoscopy, surgical; cholecystectomy with cholangiography	\$ 981.00
56605	Biopsy of vulva or perineum (separate procedure; one lesion)	\$ 76.00
57530	Trachelectomy (cervicectomy), amputation of cervix (separate procedure)	\$ 396.00
58760	Fimbrioplasty	\$ 606.00
61070	Puncture of shunt tubing or reservoir for aspiration or injection procedure	\$ 63.00
61154	Burr hole(s) with evacuation and/or drainage of hematoma, extradural or subdural	\$1,550.00
61312	Craniectomy or craniotomy for evacuation of hematoma, supratentorial; extra or subdural	\$2,211.00
62120	Repair of encephalocele, skull vault, including cranioplasty	\$1,855.00
64876	Suture of nerve; requiring shortening of bone	\$ 284.00
65850	Trabeculotomy ab externo	\$1,076.00
73040	Radiologic examination, shoulder, arthrography, radiological supervision and interpret.	\$ 169.00
73525	Radiologic examination, hip, arthrography, supervision and interpretation	\$ 169.00
73580	Radiologic examination, knee, arthrography, supervision and interpretation	\$ 200.00
74300	Cholangiography and/or pancreatography; intraoperative, supervision and interpretation	\$ 82.00
76095	Stereotactic localization for breast biopsy, each lesion, radiological supervision and interpretation	\$ 551.00
76778	Echography of transplanted kidney, B-scan and/or real time with image documentation, with or without duplex Doppler studies	\$ 178.00
76810	Echography, pregnant uterus, B-scan and/or real time with image documentation;	\$ 400.00

	complete (fetal & maternal), multiple gestation after the first trimester	
76816	Echography, pregnant uterus; follow-up or repeat	\$ 100.00
76885	Echography of infant hips, real time with imaging documentation; dynamic	\$ 133.00
76946	Ultrasonic guidance for amniocentesis, radiological supervision and interpretation	\$ 121.00
78740	Ureteral reflux study	\$ 172.00
81025	Urine pregnancy test, by visual color comparison methods	\$ 25.00
83718	Lipoprotein, direct measurement; high density cholesterol (HDL cholesterol)	\$ 15.00
87207	Smear, primary source, with interpretation; special stain for inclusion bodies or intracellular parasites (eg, malaria)	\$ 18.00
88156	Cytopathology, smears, cervical or vaginal, TBS, up to three smears; screening b technician Under physician supervision	\$ 23.00
88173	Evaluation of fine needle aspirate with or without preparation of smears; immediate cytohistologic study to determine adequacy of specimen(s)	\$ 125.00
93325	Doppler color flow velocity mapping	\$ 178.00
93880	Duplex scan of extracranial arteries; complete bilateral study	\$ 284.00
93925	Duplex scan of lower extremity arteries or arterial bypass grafts; complete bilateral study	\$ 284.00
93930	Duplex scan of upper extremity arteries or arterial bypass grafts; complete bilateral study	\$ 291.00
93970	Duplex scan of extremity veins including responses to compression and other maneuvers; complete bilateral study	\$ 315.00
93971	Duplex scan of extremity veins including responses to compression and other maneuvers; unilateral or limited study	\$ 210.00

**AMENDMENT:**

36430	Transfusion, blood or blood components (amended from \$200.00)	\$150.00
93307	Echocardiography, transthoracic, real-time with image documentation (2D) with or without M-mode recording; complete	\$ 332.00

**OTHER FEES:**

Handling and/or conveyance of specimen from  
Rota and Tinian to CHC \$ 3.00

Handling and/or conveyance of specimen from  
Rota and Tinian to CHC (stat request) \$12.00



# COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

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## CNMI BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education Promulgates these proposed amendments pursuant to the powers granted it by Article XV of the CNMI's Constitution, Public Law 6-10, and the CNMI's Administrative Procedures Act.

*Short Statement of  
Goals & Objectives:*

The intent of the following amendments is to provide clear guidance regarding the handling of persons who are HIV positive and the records related to them.

*Brief Summary of the  
Proposed Amendments:*

To provide clear guidance regarding the handling of persons who are HIV positive and the records related to them.

*For further  
Information contact:*

Mr. Joe Mafnas, Board Special Assistant, telephone no. 664-3711, fax no. 664-3717.

*Citation of Related  
and/or Affected Statutes,  
Regulations, and Orders:*

Regulations previously called Policies Section 623.

**CNMI BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM  
NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW AND AMENDED  
REGULATIONS**

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Board of Education, hereby notifies the general public of its intention to propose new regulations previously called policies for the governance of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Public School System. The proposed regulations previously called policies are promulgated pursuant to the authority provided by Article XV of the CNMI Constitution, Public Law 6-10 and the Administrative Procedures Act.

The proposed new regulations previously called policies involve the following subject area:

**REGULATIONS PREVIOUSLY CALLED POLICIES**


**§ 623 Comprehensive HIV Regulations**


The text of the proposed new regulations previously called policies are published following this notice. Anyone interested in commenting on the regulations and regulations previously called Policies may do so by submitting those comments in writing to the Chairwoman of the Board of Education at: P.O. Box 1370CK, Saipan, MP 96950 within thirty days of the date of publication of this issue of the Commonwealth Register.

May 19, 1998



Marja Lee Taitano  
Chairwoman, Board of Education

Filed With:   
Joe I. Deleon Guerrero  
Special Asst. for Admin.


Filed With:   
Ms. Soledad B. Sasamoto  
Registrar of Corporations



Pursuant to 1 CMC § 2153 as amended by PL 10-50 the regulations and regulations previously called policies attached hereto have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1998.

~~Sally Prund~~ **ROBERT B. DUNLAP II**  
CNMI Attorney General (Acting)

By:   
Elliot Sattler  
Assistant Attorney General

## **Comprehensive HIV Policy for CNMI Public School System: Pre K-12**

The Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) is not transmitted through casual contact and, therefore, is not reason in itself to treat individuals having or perceived as having HIV differently from other members of the school community. Accordingly, with respect to HIV disease, including acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), the CNMI P.S.S. School District recognizes:

### **A. General Provisions:**

1. The school district shall not discriminate against or tolerate discrimination against any individual who has or is perceived as having HIV.
2. A student who has or is perceived as having HIV is entitled to attend school in a regular classroom, unless otherwise provided by law, and shall be afforded opportunities on an equal basis with all students.
3. No applicant shall be denied employment and no employee shall be prevented from continued employment on the basis of having or being perceived as having HIV. Such an employee is entitled to the rights, privileges, and services accorded to employees generally, including benefits provided school employees with long-term diseases or disabling conditions.

### **B. Confidentiality, Disclosure, and Testing:**

#### **\* Provisions Reflecting Present Legal Requirements**

1. A student or student's parent/guardian, or an applicant/employee, may, but is not required to, report HIV status to any school personnel.
2. Except as otherwise permitted by law, no school personnel shall disclose any HIV-related information, as it relates to prospective or current school personnel or students, to anyone except in accordance with the terms of a written consent. The Commissioner of Education shall develop a written consent form (See Appendix A) which details the information the signatory permits to be disclosed, to who it may be disclosed, its specified time limitation, and the specific purpose for the disclosure. The school district shall not discriminate against any individual who does not provide written consent.
3. No school official shall require any applicant, employee, or prospective or current student to have any HIV-related test.

#### **\* Additional Provisions for Consideration**

1. The Commissioner of Education shall develop procedures which ensure confidentiality in the maintenance and, where authorized, dissemination of all medically-related documents. (See Appendix A.)

C. Education and Instruction:

\* Provisions Reflecting Present Legal Requirements

1. HIV is not, in itself, a disabling condition, but it may result in conditions that are disabling. To the extent that a student who has HIV is determined to meet the criteria for eligibility for accommodations under state and federal non-discrimination laws or for special education services, the school district shall meet all procedural and substantive requirements.
2. The school district shall provide systematic and extensive elementary and secondary comprehensive health education which includes education on HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases as well as other communicable diseases, and the prevention of disease, as required by state law.

\* Additional Provisions

1. The school district shall provide age-appropriate, ongoing HIV instruction, in accordance with the CNMI & *Department of Education Guidelines for the Development of an HIV/AIDS Education Program in CNMI Schools*. This instruction shall include current HIV epidemiology, methods of transmission and prevention, universal precautions, and psycho-social aspects of HIV as part of a skills-based comprehensive health education program and through its integration into other subject areas.
2. The Commissioner of Education shall designate a coordinator to oversee the district's HIV education plans and programs and work closely with the overall comprehensive Health Education Program Coordinator.
3. The school board shall establish a comprehensive health education community advisory council to assist the school board in developing and implementing comprehensive health education including HIV education. The school board shall provide public notice to the community to allow all interested parties to apply for appointment. The school board shall endeavor to appoint members who represent various points of view within the community regarding comprehensive health education.
4. The Commissioner of Education or his/her designee shall create a plan to ensure that all school employees, including newly hired staff, receive training regarding current HIV epidemiology, methods of transmission and prevention, universal precautions, psycho-social aspects of HIV-related school policies and procedures, and where appropriate, teaching strategies.

The superintendent shall report annually to the school board regarding implementation of this plan.

5. The school district shall provide for parents, families, students and the community, opportunities for education, discussion, and the development of recommendations about a systematic and comprehensive HIV prevention plan (including the promotion of abstinence, condom availability, and compassion for people living with the disease). Educators, administrators, and health professionals shall be involved in such activities.

**D. Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens and Universal Precautions:**

**\* Provisions Reflecting Present Legal Requirements**

1. The school district shall comply with applicable CNMI Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) rules in order to protect employees who are reasonably anticipated to be exposed to bloodborne pathogens as part of their regular job duties.
2. The Commissioner of Education or his/her designee shall determine those employees (by job class and possibly by task or procedure) who are reasonably anticipated to have occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials as part of their duties. These employees will be protected in strict accordance with the provisions of the Bloodborne Pathogens Standard.

**\* Additional Provisions**

1. Students and all staff not covered by the Bloodborne Pathogens Standard shall be instructed to avoid contact with potentially infectious materials and blood and shall immediately contact a member of the staff who is covered by the exposure control plan. When this is not possible, any person providing assistance shall follow universal precautions. (See Appendix B.)
2. The Commissioner of Education or his/her designee shall provide training to all staff and students about: the hazards of bloodborne pathogens; the recommended operating procedures of universal precautions; the existence of the OSHA required exposure control plan; individuals or job classes to be notified in order to safely handle or clean up a blood or other body fluid spill safely; and the location and use of appropriate protective equipment and first aid devices.
3. The Commissioner of Education or his/her designee shall provide training on the recommended operating procedures of universal precautions to teaching substitutes and school volunteers.

**E. Enforcement:**

**\* Provisions Reflecting Present Legal Requirements**

1. A person who violates this policy may be subject to remedial and/or disciplinary action in accordance with applicable laws, collective bargaining agreements, policies, and/or disciplinary codes.

## **Appendices:**

### **Appendix A**

#### **Procedures for Maintaining Confidentiality and Sample Written Consent Form**

### **Appendix B**

#### **Universal Precautions**

### **Appendix C**

#### **Annotated Legal References**

### **Appendix D**

#### **Resources for HIV/AIDS Assistance and Information**

## Procedures for Maintaining Confidentiality

To maintain an atmosphere of trust with staff members, students, families, and the community, a policy that encourages confidentiality is essential. It is important that people who have the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and their families feel certain that their names will not be released against their wishes to others without a need to know. A policy on confidentiality that is strictly enforced will also provide protection to the school district from legal action and from potentially adverse reactions that might result.

To promote confidentiality and to avoid the violation of state and federal laws that protect the confidentiality of medical records, the following procedures are suggested:

1. All medical information in any way relating to the HIV status of any member of the school community, including written documentation of discussions, telephone conversations, proceedings, and meetings shall be kept in a locked file. Access to this file shall be granted only to those persons identified in writing by the student or student's parent/guardian, or the employee, as having a direct need to know. Filing and photocopying of related documents may be performed only by persons named in the written consent.
2. No medical information shall ever be faxed.
3. Medically-related documents that are to be mailed shall be marked "Confidential." Names of persons mailing documents and those receiving the documents shall be identified on the written consent form by the student or student's parent/guardian, or the applicant/employee.
4. A written consent form shall be completed prior to each disclosure and release of HIV-related information. (Sample attached.)
5. Each disclosure made shall be noted in the student or employee's personal file. The list of such disclosures shall be made available to the student, parent/guardian, or employee upon request.
6. Schools shall comply with Occupational Safety and Health Administration ( OSHA) rule §1910.20 which concerns maintenance of and access to employee medical records. [Note: §1910.20 is incorporated by reference into §1910.1030 (h).]

**Sample Written Consent Form for Each Release of Confidential HIV\*-Related Information**

Confidential HIV-Related Information is any information that a person had an HIV-related test, has HIV infection, HIV-related illness or AIDS,\* or has been potentially exposed to HIV. If you sign this form, HIV-related information can be given to the people listed and for the reasons listed below.

Name and address of person whose HIV-related information can be released:	
Name and address of person signing this form (if other than above):	
Relationship to person whose HIV-related information may be released:	
Name, title or role, and address of each person who may be given HIV-related information (include names of persons responsible for photocopying and filing confidential information):	
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
(Additional names and addresses can be attached or listed on back.)	
Information to be provided: (Check as many as apply.)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIV antibody test result
<input type="checkbox"/>	AIDS diagnosis
<input type="checkbox"/>	summarized medical record
<input type="checkbox"/>	details of symptoms, signs, and/or diagnostic results (specify: _____)
<input type="checkbox"/>	psychiatric, other mental health, and/or developmental evaluation records (specify _____)
<input type="checkbox"/>	names of medical care and/or support service providers (specify: _____)
<input type="checkbox"/>	infection status of other family members [Requires written consent.]
<input type="checkbox"/>	student's instructional program
<input type="checkbox"/>	other (specify: _____)
Specific purpose(s) for release of HIV related information:	
Time during which release of information is authorized: (A specific time must be noted for each single incidence of release of HIV-related information. Use a new form for each incident.)	
From:	To:

Any disclosure of information not meeting the conditions listed above is expressly prohibited. Disclosure to any other persons than those listed above requires my informed, written consent.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) that causes Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)



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## Update: Universal Precautions for Prevention of Transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Hepatitis B Virus, and Other Bloodborne Pathogens in Health-Care Settings

### Introduction

The purpose of this report is to clarify and supplement the CDC publication entitled "Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings" (1).\*

In 1983, CDC published a document entitled "Guideline for Isolation Precautions in Hospitals" (2) that contained a section entitled "Blood and Body Fluid Precautions." The recommendations in this section called for blood and body fluid precautions when a patient was known or suspected to be infected with bloodborne pathogens. In August 1987, CDC published a document entitled "Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings" (1). In contrast to the 1983 document, the 1987 document recommended that blood and body fluid precautions be consistently used for all patients regardless of their bloodborne infection status. This extension of blood and body fluid precautions to all patients is referred to as "Universal Blood and Body Fluid Precautions" or "Universal Precautions." Under universal precautions, blood and certain body fluids of all patients are considered potentially infectious for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), and other bloodborne pathogens.

Universal precautions are intended to prevent parenteral, mucous membrane, and nonintact skin exposures of health-care workers to bloodborne pathogens. In addition, immunization with HBV vaccine is recommended as an important adjunct to universal precautions for health-care workers who have exposures to blood (3,4).

Since the recommendations for universal precautions were published in August 1987, CDC and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) have received requests for clarification of the following issues: 1) body fluids to which universal precautions apply, 2) use of protective barriers, 3) use of gloves for phlebotomy, 4) selection of gloves for use while observing universal precautions, and 5) need for making changes in waste management programs as a result of adopting universal precautions.

\*The August 1987 publication should be consulted for general information and specific recommendations not addressed in this update.

Copies of this report and of the *MMWR* supplement entitled *Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings* published in August 1987 are available through the National AIDS Information Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 6003, Rockville, MD 20850.

#### Body Fluids to Which Universal Precautions Apply

Universal precautions apply to blood and to other body fluids containing visible blood. Occupational transmission of HIV and HBV to health-care workers by blood is documented (4,5). Blood is the single most important source of HIV, HBV, and other bloodborne pathogens in the occupational setting. Infection control efforts for HIV, HBV, and other bloodborne pathogens must focus on preventing exposures to blood as well as on delivery of HBV immunization.

Universal precautions also apply to semen and vaginal secretions. Although both of these fluids have been implicated in the sexual transmission of HIV and HBV, they have not been implicated in occupational transmission from patient to health-care worker. This observation is not unexpected, since exposure to semen in the usual health-care setting is limited, and the routine practice of wearing gloves for performing vaginal examinations protects health-care workers from exposure to potentially infectious vaginal secretions.

Universal precautions also apply to tissues and to the following fluids: cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), synovial fluid, pleural fluid, peritoneal fluid, pericardial fluid, and amniotic fluid. The risk of transmission of HIV and HBV from these fluids is unknown; epidemiologic studies in the health-care and community setting are currently inadequate to assess the potential risk to health-care workers from occupational exposures to them. However, HIV has been isolated from CSF, synovial, and amniotic fluid (6-8), and HBsAg has been detected in synovial fluid, amniotic fluid, and peritoneal fluid (9-11). One case of HIV transmission was reported after a percutaneous exposure to bloody pleural fluid obtained by needle aspiration (12). Whereas aseptic procedures used to obtain these fluids for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes protect health-care workers from skin exposures, they cannot prevent penetrating injuries due to contaminated needles or other sharp instruments.

#### Body Fluids to Which Universal Precautions Do Not Apply

Universal precautions do not apply to feces, nasal secretions, sputum, sweat, tears, urine, and vomitus unless they contain visible blood. The risk of transmission of HIV and HBV from these fluids and materials is extremely low or nonexistent. HIV has been isolated and HBsAg has been demonstrated in some of these fluids; however, epidemiologic studies in the health-care and community setting have not implicated these fluids or materials in the transmission of HIV and HBV infections (13,14). Some of the above fluids and excretions represent a potential source for nosocomial and community-acquired infections with other pathogens, and recommendations for preventing the transmission of nonbloodborne pathogens have been published (2).

#### Precautions for Other Body Fluids in Special Settings

Human breast milk has been implicated in perinatal transmission of HIV, and HBsAg has been found in the milk of mothers infected with HBV (10,13). However, occupational exposure to human breast milk has not been implicated in the transmission of HIV nor HBV infection to health-care workers. Moreover, the health-care worker will not have the same type of intensive exposure to breast milk as the nursing neonate. Whereas universal precautions do not apply to human breast milk, gloves may be worn by health-care workers in situations where exposures to breast milk might be frequent, for example, in breast milk banking.

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Saliva of some persons infected with HBV has been shown to contain HBV-DNA at concentrations 1/1,000 to 1/10,000 of that found in the infected person's serum (15). HBsAg-positive saliva has been shown to be infectious when injected into experimental animals and in human bite exposures (16-18). However, HBsAg-positive saliva has not been shown to be infectious when applied to oral mucous membranes in experimental primate studies (18) or through contamination of musical instruments or cardiopulmonary resuscitation dummies used by HBV carriers (19,20). Epidemiologic studies of nonsexual household contacts of HIV-infected patients, including several small series in which HIV transmission failed to occur after bites or after percutaneous inoculation or contamination of cuts and open wounds with saliva from HIV-infected patients, suggest that the potential for salivary transmission of HIV is remote (5,13,14,21,22). One case report from Germany has suggested the possibility of transmission of HIV in a household setting from an infected child to a sibling through a human bite (23). The bite did not break the skin or result in bleeding. Since the date of seroconversion to HIV was not known for either child in this case, evidence for the role of saliva in the transmission of virus is unclear (23). Another case report suggested the possibility of transmission of HIV from husband to wife by contact with saliva during kissing (24). However, follow-up studies did not confirm HIV infection in the wife (21).

Universal precautions do not apply to saliva. General infection control practices already in existence - including the use of gloves for digital examination of mucous membranes and endotracheal suctioning, and handwashing after exposure to saliva - should further minimize the minute risk, if any, for salivary transmission of HIV and HBV (1,25). Gloves need not be worn when feeding patients and when wiping saliva from skin.

Special precautions, however, are recommended for dentistry (1). Occupationally acquired infection with HBV in dental workers has been documented (4), and two possible cases of occupationally acquired HIV infection involving dentists have been reported (5,26). During dental procedures, contamination of saliva with blood is predictable, trauma to health-care workers' hands is common, and blood spattering may occur. Infection control precautions for dentistry minimize the potential for nonintact skin and mucous membrane contact of dental health-care workers to blood-contaminated saliva of patients. In addition, the use of gloves for oral examinations and treatment in the dental setting may also protect the patient's oral mucous membranes from exposures to blood, which may occur from breaks in the skin of dental workers' hands. *plus mask.*

#### Use of Protective Barriers

Protective barriers reduce the risk of exposure of the health-care worker's skin or mucous membranes to potentially infective materials. For universal precautions, protective barriers reduce the risk of exposure to blood, body fluids containing visible blood, and other fluids to which universal precautions apply. Examples of protective barriers include gloves, gowns, masks, and protective eyewear. Gloves should reduce the incidence of contamination of hands, but they cannot prevent penetrating injuries due to needles or other sharp instruments. Masks and protective eyewear or face shields should reduce the incidence of contamination of mucous membranes of the mouth, nose, and eyes.

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Universal precautions are intended to supplement rather than replace recommendations for routine infection control, such as handwashing and using gloves to prevent gross microbial contamination of hands (27). Because specifying the types of barriers needed for every possible clinical situation is impractical, some judgment must be exercised.

The risk of nosocomial transmission of HIV, HBV, and other bloodborne pathogens can be minimized if health-care workers use the following general guidelines:<sup>†</sup>

1. Take care to prevent injuries when using needles, scalpels, and other sharp instruments or devices; when handling sharp instruments after procedures; when cleaning used instruments; and when disposing of used needles. ~~Do not recap used needles by hand; do not remove used needles from disposable syringes by hand; and do not bend, break, or otherwise manipulate used needles by hand.~~ Place used disposable syringes and needles, scalpel blades, and other sharp items in puncture-resistant containers for disposal. Locate the puncture-resistant containers as close to the use area as is practical.
2. Use protective barriers to prevent exposure to blood, body fluids containing visible blood, and other fluids to which universal precautions apply. The type of protective barrier(s) should be appropriate for the procedure being performed and the type of exposure anticipated.
3. Immediately and thoroughly wash hands and other skin surfaces that are contaminated with blood, body fluids containing visible blood, or other body fluids to which universal precautions apply.

#### Glove Use for Phlebotomy

Gloves should reduce the incidence of blood contamination of hands during phlebotomy (drawing blood samples), but they cannot prevent penetrating injuries caused by needles or other sharp instruments. The likelihood of hand contamination with blood containing HIV, HBV, or other bloodborne pathogens during phlebotomy depends on several factors: 1) the skill and technique of the health-care worker, 2) the frequency with which the health-care worker performs the procedure (other factors being equal, the cumulative risk of blood exposure is higher for a health-care worker who performs more procedures), 3) whether the procedure occurs in a routine or emergency situation (where blood contact may be more likely), and 4) the prevalence of infection with bloodborne pathogens in the patient population. The likelihood of infection after skin exposure to blood containing HIV or HBV will depend on the concentration of virus (viral concentration is much higher for hepatitis B than for HIV), the duration of contact, the presence of skin lesions on the hands of the health-care worker, and — for HBV — the immune status of the health-care worker. Although not accurately quantified, the risk of HIV infection following intact skin contact with infective blood is certainly much less than the 0.5% risk following percutaneous needlestick exposures (5). In universal precautions, all blood is assumed to be potentially infective for bloodborne pathogens, but in certain settings (e.g., volunteer blood-donation centers) the prevalence of infection with some bloodborne pathogens (e.g., HIV, HBV) is known to be very low. Some institutions have relaxed recommendations for using gloves for phlebotomy procedures by skilled phlebotomists in settings where the prevalence of bloodborne pathogens is known to be very low.

<sup>†</sup>The August 1987 publication should be consulted for general information and specific recommendations not addressed in this update.

Institutions that judge that routine gloving for all phlebotomies is not necessary should periodically reevaluate their policy. Gloves should always be available to health-care workers who wish to use them for phlebotomy. In addition, the following general guidelines apply:

1. Use gloves for performing phlebotomy when the health-care worker has cuts, scratches, or other breaks in his/her skin.
2. Use gloves in situations where the health-care worker judges that hand contamination with blood may occur, for example, when performing phlebotomy on an uncooperative patient.
3. Use gloves for performing finger and/or heel sticks on infants and children.
4. Use gloves when persons are receiving training in phlebotomy.

#### Selection of Gloves

The Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, has responsibility for regulating the medical glove industry. Medical gloves include those marketed as sterile surgical or nonsterile examination gloves made of vinyl or latex. General purpose utility ("rubber") gloves are also used in the health-care setting, but they are not regulated by FDA since they are not promoted for medical use. There are no reported differences in barrier effectiveness between intact latex and intact vinyl used to manufacture gloves. Thus, the type of gloves selected should be appropriate for the task being performed.

The following general guidelines are recommended:

1. Use sterile gloves for procedures involving contact with normally sterile areas of the body.
2. Use examination gloves for procedures involving contact with mucous membranes, unless otherwise indicated, and for other patient care or diagnostic procedures that do not require the use of sterile gloves.
3. Change gloves between patient contacts.
4. Do not wash or disinfect surgical or examination gloves for reuse. Washing with surfactants may cause "wicking," i.e., the enhanced penetration of liquids through undetected holes in the glove. Disinfecting agents may cause deterioration.
5. Use general-purpose utility gloves (e.g., rubber household gloves) for housekeeping chores involving potential blood contact and for instrument cleaning and decontamination procedures. Utility gloves may be decontaminated and reused but should be discarded if they are peeling, cracked, or discolored, or if they have punctures, tears, or other evidence of deterioration.

#### Waste Management

Universal precautions are not intended to change waste management programs previously recommended by CDC for health-care settings (1). Policies for defining, collecting, storing, decontaminating, and disposing of infective waste are generally determined by institutions in accordance with state and local regulations. Information regarding waste management regulations in health-care settings may be obtained from state or local health departments or agencies responsible for waste management.

*Reported by: Center for Devices and Radiological Health, Food and Drug Administration, Hospital Infections Program, AIDS Program, and Hepatitis Br, Div of Viral Diseases, Center for Infectious Diseases, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, CDC.*

**Editorial Note:** Implementation of universal precautions does not eliminate the need for other category- or disease-specific isolation precautions, such as enteric precautions for infectious diarrhea or isolation for pulmonary tuberculosis (1,2). In addition to universal precautions, detailed precautions have been developed for the following procedures and/or settings in which prolonged or intensive exposures to blood occur: invasive procedures, dentistry, autopsies or morticians' services, dialysis, and the clinical laboratory. These detailed precautions are found in the August 21, 1987, "Recommendations for Prevention of HIV Transmission in Health-Care Settings" (1). In addition, specific precautions have been developed for research laboratories (28).

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RESOURCES and INFORMATION REGARDING HIV /AIDS

1. Toll free HIV/AIDS HOTLINE 1-800-342-AIDS Resources and info. by C.D.C.
2. CNMI Public Health Services 234-8950
3. Public Health Office of Sexual Disease Prevention 234-8951  
Free counselling, testing and condoms
4. Red Cross HIV/AIDS Instructor training courses and certified HIV/AIDS guest speakers.  
234-3459
5. PSS HIV Prevention Program - Coordinator Dr. Jacqui Hahn  
M & W 235-2682  
T, Th, Fri 433-0832  
Fax 433-0455  
Curriculum materials, educational materials, training, guest speakers, special projects.
6. Governor's HIV Task Force / Community Planning Group.  
Contact person: (670) 234-8950 (Public Health Section)



**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

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***Citation of Statutory Authority:*** The Department of Finance proposes an amendment to regulations pursuant to 1 CMC section 2553, 1 CMC section 2557, 4 CMC section 1507, 4 CMC section 1818, and the Commonwealth Administrative Procedures Act, 1 CMC section 9101 and other applicable Commonwealth Law.

***Short Statement of Goals and Objectives:*** The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide a change in the transferring of machine licenses after the enactment of Public Law 10-89 which amended the Pachinko Slot Machine Act.

***Brief Summary of the Proposed Amendments:*** The proposed amendments allow for the transfer of pachinko machines with the approval of the Secretary of Finance.

***For Further Information Contact:*** Ms. Lucy DLG. Nielsen, Secretary of Finance at 664-1100, 664-1115 (fax).



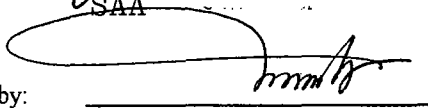
***Citation of Related and/or Affected Statutes, Regulations and Orders:*** 4 CMC section 1503, Public Law 10-89, and Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Regulations No. 2400, published in Volume 17, Number 07 of the Commonwealth Register, pages 13581 to 13630.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR**  
**THE OPERATION OF PACHINKO SLOT MACHINES IN THE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS (CNMI)**  
**REGULATIONS NO. 2400**

Governor Pedro P. Tenorio and Lt. Governor Jesus R. Sablan, through the Secretary of the Department of Finance, hereby provide public notice of the Proposed Amendment to Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), Regulations No. 2400. The purpose of this amendment is to provide a change pursuant to the enactment of Public Law 10-89, to reflect a change transferring machine licenses. The Proposed Amendment to Pachinko Slot Machines in the CNMI, Regulation No. 2400 are promulgated by virtue of the authority and directions given to the Secretary of Finance as set forth in the Commonwealth Code 1 CMC §2553, 1 CMC §2557, 4 CMC §1507, 4 CMC §1818, and the Commonwealth Administrative Procedures Act, 1 CMC §9101 *et seq.* and other applicable Commonwealth Law.

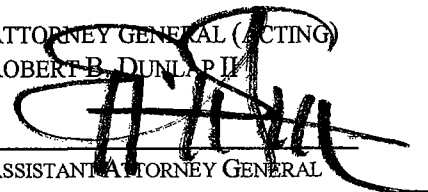
The proposed amendment is published in the Commonwealth Register. Copies of the proposed amendment may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of Finance, located at the Joeten Commercial Building, Dan Dan, or by mail at P. O. Box 5234 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950.

Anyone interested in commenting on the proposed amendment may do so in writing addressed to the Secretary of Finance, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, at the above-referenced address not later than thirty (30) days from the date of their publication in the Commonwealth Register.

Issued by:	 LUCIA DLG. NIELSEN Secretary of Finance	<u>6/12/98</u> Date:
Received by:	 Jose I. Deleon Guerrero SAA	<u>6/15/98</u> Date:
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PURSUANT TO 1 CMC §2153 AS AMENDED BY PL 10-50 THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ATTACHED HERETO HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY BY THE CNMI ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

DATED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June, 1998

ATTORNEY GENERAL (ACTING)  
ROBERT B. DUNLAP II  
BY:   
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

NUTISIAN PUPBLIKU

DEPARTMENTON FAINANSIAT

I MA PROPOPONI NA AMENDASION GI REGULASION YAN AREKLAMENTO PUT  
MINANEHAN MAKINAN PACHINKO SLOT MACHINES GI HALOM  
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
REGULASION NUMIRU 2400

I Gobietno as Pedro P. Tenorio yan i Sigundona na Gobietno as Jesus R. Sablan, sigun i Sekretarian i Depattmenton Fainansiat ginen este na probeni nutisian publiku put i ma propoponi na Amendasion siha na Regulasion yan Areklamento put Minanehan Makinan Pachinko Slot Machines gi halom Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. I propositun este siha na Amendasion para u probiniyi i tinalaika sigon gi lai i Lai Pupbliku 10-89, para u refleka i tinalaika gi transferin makinan lisensia. I priniponi na Amendasion i Pachinko Slot Machines gi halom CNMI, Regulasion Numiru 2400 todú esta manma laknos sigun hafa gaige gi aturidat yan direksion siha ni manahi i Sekretarian Fainansiat ni esta ma polu halom gi Commonwealth Code 1 CMC §2553, 1 CMC §2557, 4 CMC §1407, 4 CMC §1818 yan i Commonwealth Administrative Procedures Act, 1 CMC §9101 *et seq.* yan otro siha ni inaplita ni Lai Commonwealth.

I ma propopni na Amendasion siha manma pupblika halom gi Rehistran Commonwealth. Kopian i propositun i amendasion siha siña ufan ma chule gi Ofisinan Sekretarion Fainansiat, Joeten Commercial Building, Dan Dan, pat i mail P. O. Box: 5234 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950.

Maseha hayi interesao mamatinas komentu put i manma propoponi siha na amendasion sina mange guato gi Sekretarion Fainansiat, Commonwealth i san kattan siha na Islan Marianas, gi adres ni ma sangan gi sanhilo siha na nutisia gi halom Rehistran Commonwealth.

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LUCIA DLG. NIELSEN  
Sekretarion Fainansiat

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Ma file yan Rinekot as: Soledad B. Sasamoto  
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Rehistradoran Kotporasion

Fecha: 6/15/98

SIGUN GI 1 CMC §2153 NI ESTA MANMA AMENDA SIGUN GINÁGÁO LAI PULIKU 10-50 I AREKLAMENTO YAN REGULASION SIHA NI CECHETON ESTA MANMA REBISA YAN MA APPREBA NI PARA U FATINAS YAN LIGAT ENTERU GINEN I OFISINAN I ABOGAO.

MA FECHA GI MINA 15<sup>th</sup> NA DIA GI MES June 19 98.

ABOGAO (ACTING)  
ROBERT B. DUNLAP II

GINÉN AS: L. J. LIOTT A. SATTLER  
ABOGAO (ASSISTANT)

Section 2400.9 is amended to read as follows:

Section 2400.9 Tags

(b) No pachinko slot machine may be operated unless it has a valid tag affixed to its cabinet. ~~No tag can be transferred from one machine to another.~~ A replacement tag will be issued and a fee of \$25 will be charged and collected for each new tag. The pachinko slot machine owner shall report to the Department of Finance whenever a tag is lost or defaced, and that lost or defaced tag will be promptly replaced by the Department of Finance after the Department verifies the tag number from the identifying tag inside the machine and a replacement fee of \$25 is paid to the Department of Finance.

Section 2400.10 is amended to read as follows:

Section 2400.10 Transfer of Tag and License.

(a) No pachinko slot machine license tag may be transferred ~~from a defective or malfunctioning machine to an operative~~ any machine without the written approval of the Secretary of Finance. A fee of \$25.00 will be charged and collected for the transfer of each tag.

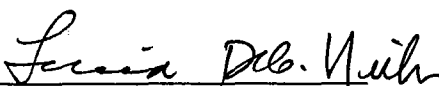
# CERTIFICATION

## DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF PACHINKO SLOT MACHINES IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS (CNMI) REGULATIONS NO. 2400

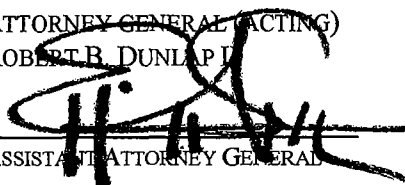
I, Lucia DLG. Nielsen, Secretary of the Department of Finance, who is publishing the "Proposed Amendment to Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Regulations No. 2400, by signature below hereby certifies that the Proposed Amendments to Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Regulations No. 2400 is true, correct, and complete copy of the regulation proposed and amended by the Department of Finance. I further request and direct that this certification and the "Proposed Amendment to Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Regulations No. 2400" be published in the Commonwealth Register.

I declare under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on the 12 day of June, 1998, at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

  
LUCIA DLG. NIELSEN  
Secretary of Finance

PURSUANT TO 1 CMC §2153 AS AMENDED BY PL 10-50 THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ATTACHED HERETO HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY BY THE CNMI ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

DATED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June, 1998

ATTORNEY GENERAL (ACTING)  
ROBERT B. DUNLAP II  
BY:   
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

**NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION  
OF AMENDMENTS TO THE NUTRITION  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

I, Thomas A. Tebuteb, Secretary of the CNMI Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, which has promulgated Emergency Amendments to the Nutrition Assistance Program Regulations, as published in the Commonwealth Register, Vol. 19, No. 11, on November 15, 1997, at pages 15741 to 15747, and, Vol. 20, No. 3, on March 16, 1998, at pages 15870 to 15877, by signature below hereby certify that, as published, such Emergency Amendments are a true, complete and correct copy of the Emergency Amendments previously proposed by the CNMI Department of Community and Cultural Affairs which, after the expiration of appropriate time for public comment, have been adopted without modification or amendment. I further request and direct that this Notice and Certification of Adoption be immediately published in the Commonwealth Register.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1998, at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.



Thomas A. Tebuteb  
Secretary, Department of Community  
and Cultural Affairs



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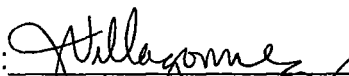
## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE OF MEDICAL AND OTHER RELATED FEES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

I, Joseph K.P. Villagomez, am the Acting Secretary of the Department of Public Health, the Department which is promulgating the Amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees, published in the Commonwealth Register on February 15, 1998 at pages 15861 to 15868. By signature below I hereby certify that the amendments published in the Commonwealth Register are a true, complete, and correct copy of the Amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees formally adopted by the Department of Public Health. I further request and direct that this Certification be published in the Commonwealth Register and then be attached by both the Registrar of Corporations and the Office of the Governor to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees as referenced above.

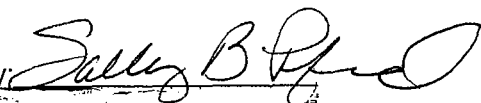
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on the 13th of May, 1998 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Signature:   
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
ACTING SECRETARY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Pursuant to 1 CMC 2153 as amended by PL 10-50 the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1998.

Sally B. Pfund  
Attorney General (Acting)

By: 



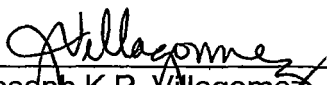
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE OF MEDICAL AND OTHER RELATED FEES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

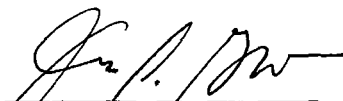
The Secretary of the Department of Public Health (DPH) notifies the Public that DPH has adopted the amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees. The amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Services were published in the Commonwealth Register Volume 20, Number 02, dated February 15, 1998. The adoption is pursuant to Title 1 CMC Division 2, Chapter 12, and in particular 1 CMC §2605 (j). Copies of the adopted amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of Public Health located at the ground floor of the Commonwealth Health Center.

  
Joseph K.P. Villagomez  
ACTING SECRETARY  
Department of Public Health

5/13/98  
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Registrar of Corporations

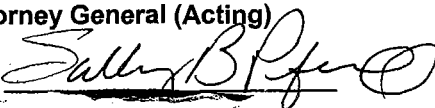
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Received By:   
Jose T. Deleon Guerrero  
Acting SAA  
Office of the Governor

5/21/98  
DATE

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50, the rules and regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved by the CNMI Attorney General's Office.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1998.

Sally B. Pfund  
Attorney General (Acting)  
By: 





# COMMONWEALTH HEALTH CENTER

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

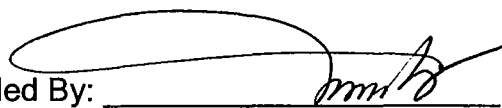
#### NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE HEALTH SCREENING REQUIREMENTS OF ALIEN EMPLOYEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Acting Secretary of the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, in accordance with the authority vested in him pursuant to 1 CMC §2605, adopts the amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees. These Regulations were originally published in the February 15, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 2, pages 15842-15850.

At the time the proposed amendments to the Regulations were published under the emergency adoption provision of the Administrative Procedures Act, the public was asked to provide comments and make suggestions for the modification or improvement of the Regulations. No substantive comments were received by the Department of Public Health administration. The proposed Regulations are now being adopted without further amendment. Copies of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Health, located on the ground floor of the Commonwealth Health Center.

  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
Acting Secretary  
Department of Public Health

Date: 4-27-98

Filed By:   
SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO  
Registrar of Corporations

Date: 6/15/98

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification for Compliance With Directive No. 183:



JOSE I. DeTeón Guerrero  
Governor's Special Assistant  
For Administration

Date: 5/19/98

Certification by Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50, the proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees were reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Office of the Attorney General.



Sally B. Pfund  
Acting Attorney General

Date: 5-12-98



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GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE HEALTH SCREENING REQUIREMENTS OF ALIEN EMPLOYEES

I, Joseph K.P. Villagomez, the Acting Secretary of the Department of Public Health which is promulgating the amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees, published in the February 15, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 2, at pages 15842-15850, by signature below, hereby certify that those amendments as published, are a true, complete, and correct copy of the amended Regulations now adopted by the Department of Public Health. I further request and direct that this Certification be published in the Commonwealth Register and then be attached by both the Office of the Registrar of Corporations and by the Office of the Governor to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on the 27 day of APRIL, 1998 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

By: *Joseph K.P. Villagomez*  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
ACTING SECRETARY  
Department of Public Health



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GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE


#### NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEDICAL REFERRAL PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Acting Secretary of the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, in accordance with the authority vested in him pursuant to 1 CMC §2605, adopts the amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration of the Medical Referral Program. These Regulations were originally published in the February 15, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 2, pages 15851-15860.

At the time the proposed amendments to the Regulations were published under the emergency adoption provision of the Administrative Procedures Act, the public was asked to provide comments and make suggestions for the modification or improvement of the Regulations. No substantive comments were received by the Department of Public Health administration. The proposed Regulations are now being adopted without further amendment. Copies of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration of the Medical Referral Program may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Health, located on the ground floor of the Commonwealth Health Center.

  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
Acting Secretary  
Department of Public Health

Date: 4/27/98

Filed By:   
SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO  
Registrar of Corporations

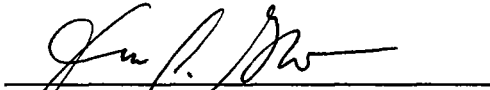
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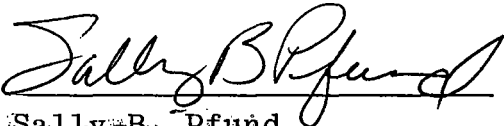


Date: 5/29/98

Jose L. DeLeon Guerrero  
Governor's Special Assistant  
For Administration

Certification by Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50, the proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration of the Medical Referral Program were reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Office of the Attorney General.



Date: 5-12-98

Sally B. Pfund  
Acting Attorney General



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEDICAL REFERRAL PROGRAM

I, Joseph K.P. Villagomez, the Acting Secretary of the Department of Public Health which is promulgating the amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration of the Medical Referral Program, published in the February 15, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 2, at pages 15851-15860, by signature below, hereby certify that those amendments as published, are a true, complete, and correct copy of the amended Regulations now adopted by the Department of Public Health. I further request and direct that this Certification be published in the Commonwealth Register and then be attached by both the Office of the Registrar of Corporations and by the Office of the Governor to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration of the Medical Referral Program.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on the 27 day of APRIL, 1998 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

By: *Joseph K.P. Villagomez*  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
ACTING SECRETARY  
Department of Public Health



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

PUBLIC NOTICE


NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
SCHEDULE OF MEDICAL AND OTHER RELATED FEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, in accordance with the authority vested in him pursuant to 1 CMC §2605, adopts the amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees. These Regulations were originally published in the March 16, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 3, pages 15878-15881.

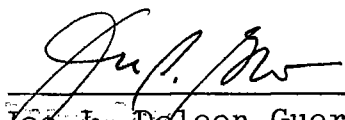
At the time the proposed amendments to the Regulations were published under the emergency adoption provision of the Administrative Procedures Act, the public was asked to provide comments and make suggestions for the modification or improvement of the Regulations. In response to the various comments received, the Department of Public Health is modifying the Alien Health Screening Diagnostic package fees from those originally published. A revised fee schedule is attached to this Notice of Adoption. Copies of the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Health, located on the ground floor of the Commonwealth Health Center.

  
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
Secretary  
Department of Public Health

Date: 6/1/98

  
Filed By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO  
Registrar of Corporations

Date: 6/12/95

  
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Joe I. DeLeon Guerrero, SAA  
Governor's Office

Date: 6/12/98



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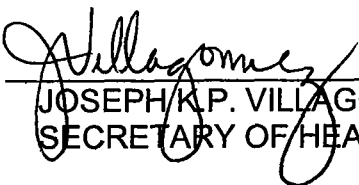
## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

### CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE OF MEDICAL AND OTHER RELATED FEES

I, Joseph K.P. Villagomez, the Secretary of the Department of Public Health which is promulgating the amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees, published in the March 16, 1998 Commonwealth Register, Volume 20, Number 3, at pages 15878-15881, by signature below, hereby certify that the attached amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees, as amended, are a true, complete, and correct copy of the amended Schedule of Fees now adopted by the Department of Public Health. I further request and direct that this Certification be published in the Commonwealth Register and then be attached by both the Office of the Registrar of Corporations and by the Office of the Governor to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Health Screening Requirements of Alien Employees.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on the 1 day of June, 1998 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

By:   
JOSEPH K.P. VILLAGOMEZ  
SECRETARY OF HEALTH

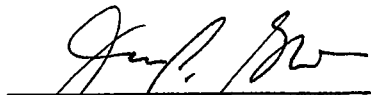


**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
AMENDMENT TO THE SCHEDULE OF  
MEDICAL AND OTHER RELATED FEES**

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<u>Alien Health Screening Diagnostic Tests</u>	
Chest X-ray PA only, without Radiologist interpretation	\$30.00
Laboratory testing for RPR and HIV	\$40.00

*(Diagnostic testing for Alien Health Screening is for physician use only. Fees for all tests must be paid up-front, prior to service being provided.)*

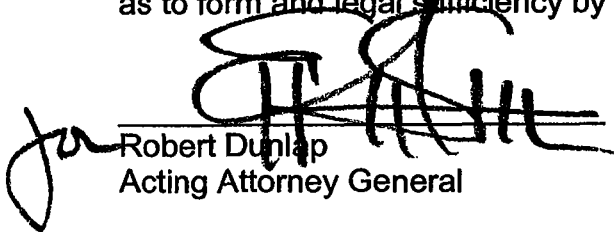
Certification for Compliance With Directive No. 183:

  
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Jose I. Deleon Guerrero  
Governor's Special Assistant  
For Administration

Date: 6/12/98

Certification by Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50, the proposed amendments to the Schedule of Medical and Other Related Fees were reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Office of the Attorney General.

  
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Robert Dunlap  
Acting Attorney General


Date: June 12, 1998

**NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS  
REGARDING PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

I, Marja Lee Taitano, the Chairwoman of the CNMI Board of Education, which has promulgated the Regulations previously called Policies regarding Field Trips, FERPA, Tardiness, Student Sexual Harassment, Searches, Commuting Costs, and Child Abuse Reporting; and Procurement Rules and Regulations regarding Protests and Appeals; and Employment of Certified Personnel Regulations regarding Reductions in Force, Effect on Employment Contract, and Definitions; and Employment of Non-Certified Personnel Regulations regarding Reductions in Force and Extended Work Day Credit, all of which were published in the Commonwealth Register Vol.19, No. 08 on August 15th, 1997 at pages 15423 to 15448, by signature below hereby certify that as published such Regulations previously called Policies and Regulations are a true, complete and correct copy of the Regulations regarding previously proposed by the CNMI Board of Education which, after the expiration of appropriate time for public comment, have been adopted without modification or amendment. I further request and direct that this Notice and Certification of Adoption be immediately published in the Commonwealth Register.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on the 19th day of May, 1998 at Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

  
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Marja Lee Taitano  
Chairwoman, CNMI Board of Education

  
Filed by: SOLEDAD B. SASAMOTO  
Registrar of Corporation

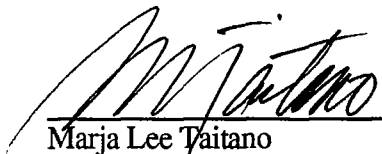
**NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF AMENDED  
REGULATIONS REGARDING PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

I, Marja Lee Taitano, the Chairwoman of the CNMI Board of Education, which has promulgated the Regulations previously called Polices regarding Age of Entrance; and the Employment of Certified Personnel Regulations regarding Certification Required and The Basic Certificate published in the Commonwealth Register Vol.19, No.8 on August 15th, 1997 at pages 15430 and 15446, by signature below hereby certify that as published such Regulations are a true, complete and correct copy of the regulations previously called Policies and Regulations previously proposed by the CNMI Board of Education which, after the expiration of appropriate time for public comment, have been adopted with minor modification or amendment as set forth below:

1. Age of Entrance: Section 601.3-change "An child" to "Any child".
2. Age of Entrance: Section 601.3-add "based solely upon their age" to the end of the last sentence which begins "Under no circumstances..."
3. Age of Entrance: Section 601.4-delete "It is expected that children who have completed kindergarten in a private school but are underage to attend first grade in the PSS will generally be provided such an exception from the Commissioner."
4. Certification Required: Section 2101.c.-add "teacher or" between "intermediate" and "librarian".
5. Substitute Teachers and Librarians: Section 2201(a)(2)- change "high school diploma" to "Associate Level College Degree."
6. Substitute Teachers and Librarians: Section 2201(a)(3)- delete "(iv) High School Diploma."

By signature below, I hereby certify that the proposed Regulations previously called Policies and Employment of Certified Personnel Regulations herein amended are the true and correct amendments as adopted by the CNMI Board of Education. I further request and direct that this Notice and Certification of Adoption be published immediately in the Commonwealth Register.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed the 19th day of May, 1998 in Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

  
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Marja Lee Taitano  
Chairwoman, CNMI Board of Education

Signature Page

Pursuant to 1 CMC §2153 as amended by PL 10-50, the Policies and Regulations attached hereto have been reviewed and approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the CNMI Attorney General's Office. Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1998

~~Sally B. Stone~~ **ROBERT B. DUNLAP II**  
Attorney General (Acting)

BY:   
Elliott A. Sattler  
Assistant Attorney General