NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Board of Psychology – General Rules

The Department of Community Health will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 4, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health, Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa, Conference Room 3, Upper Level, Lansing, Michigan.

The public hearing is being held to receive comments from interested persons on amendments to the Michigan Board of Psychology Administrative Rules. The rules are being amended to do the following: require an applicant for licensure as a limited licensed psychologist to take and pass a national licensing examination, as of January 1, 2008; revise ethics training requirements for individuals who apply for licensure at either the master’s degree or doctorate level; reduce the number of hours of postdoctoral experience that an applicant for licensure as a psychologist must obtain; permit a limited licensed psychologist to request from the Board of Psychology a variance from the supervision requirements; adopt designation criteria of the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology for doctoral programs; clarify and update regulations pertaining to advertising; add a new rule to specify activities between a licensee and a client that will be considered prohibited conduct in a professional relationship; and, add a new rule to address the retention, disposition, and confidentiality of client records.

These rules are being promulgated under the authority of sections 16145(3) and 18201 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145(3) and 333.18201 et seq. and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1996-1, 1996-2, and 2003-1, MCL 330.3101, 445.2001 and 445.2011. The rules will take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State, unless specified otherwise in the rules.

Hearing comments may be presented in person, with written comments available at the time of presentation. Written comments also will be accepted at the following address or E-mail address until Monday, December 11, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Address communications to:

   Department of Community Health
   Bureau of Health Professions – Psychology Rules Public Hearing
   P.O. Box 30670
   Lansing, MI 48909-8170
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A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting the Bureau at the address noted above. Electronic copies also may be obtained at http://www.michigan.gov/orr.

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Date: October 30, 2006

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