

**Consideration of Proposed Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code §217.7,
Pertaining to *Change of Name and/or Address***

Background: The new Texas Nurse Portal is a confidential and secure system that allows individuals to apply for nurse licensure by examination, endorsement, or renewal. The new paperless system is completely online. This new system was launched on June 15, 2020. In an effort to move toward a paperless work flow in the Board's offices, the proposed amendments, attached as Attachment "A", require all name and address changes to be made through the Texas Nurse Portal.

Board Action: Move to approve the proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code §217.7, pertaining to *Change of Name and/or Address*, as set out in Attachment "A", with authority for the General Counsel to make editorial changes as necessary to clarify rule and Board intent and to comply with the formatting requirements of the *Texas Register*. If no negative comments and no request for a public hearing are received, move to adopt the proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code §217.7, pertaining to *Change of Name and/or Address*, as proposed.

Attachment "A"

§217.7. Change of Name and/or Address.

(a) A nurse/applicant for licensure shall notify the Board [~~board in writing~~] within ten days of a change of name by submitting a legal document reflecting the [~~this~~] name change in the Texas Nurse Portal accessible through the Board's website.

(b) A nurse/applicant for licensure shall notify the Board [~~board in writing~~] within ten [~~10~~] days of a change of address by submitting [~~, providing~~] the new address [~~and his or her license number~~] in the Texas Nurse Portal accessible through the Boards' website.