ADOPTION SECTION

HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES BRANCH

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE, LABORATORIES AND

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

OFFICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Notice of Readoption

Public Health Practice Standards of Performance for Local Boards of Health in

New Jersey

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 8:52

Authority: N.J.S.A. 26:1A-15 and 26:3A2-1 et seq., and Reorganization Plan No. 003-2005 (Governor Codey, June 27, 2005).

Authorized By: Judith M. Persichilli, R.N., B.S.N., M.A., Commissioner, Department of

Health, in consultation with the Public Health Council.

Effective Date: ______, 2022.

New Expiration Date: ______, 2029.

Take notice that pursuant to Executive Order No. 66 (1978) and N.J.S.A.

52:14B-5.1, N.J.A.C. 8:52 was to expire on July 10, 2022. N.J.A.C. 8:52 establishes the public health practice standards of performance for local boards of health in New Jersey. The chapter includes rules concerning public health practice, staffing, and nursing; administrative services; public health education and promotion; environmental health; assuring workforce competencies; community public health partnerships;

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monitoring health status; policy development; diagnosis and investigation of health problems and hazards; preventive personal health services and access to health care; enforcement of public health laws; health-related research; and evaluation of population-based health services.

The Department is developing a rulemaking that would revise and reorganize existing N.J.A.C. 8:52, and anticipates filing this rulemaking with the Office of Administrative Law for processing in the ordinary course. However, this rulemaking will not be adopted prior to the expiration of existing N.J.A.C. 8:52. The Commissioner, in consultation with the Public Health Council, has reviewed N.J.A.C. 8:52 and has determined that, subject to the discussion below, and pending the finalization of the anticipated rulemaking described above, the existing chapter remains necessary, proper, reasonable, efficient, understandable, and responsive to the purposes for which it was originally promulgated, as amended and supplemented over time, and should be readopted.

Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1) and N.J.A.C. 1:30-6.4(h), N.J.A.C. 8:52 is readopted and shall continue in effect for seven years.

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