

FORM 6

Board of Massage Therapy Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in via Microsoft Teams on October 2, 2026 at 9:00 am (Central) / 8:00 am (Mountain) time. The link to join the meeting is located on the Board of Massage Therapy website:
<https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/Meetings.aspx?BoardID=64>

The purpose of the hearing is to consider the amendment and adoption of proposed Administrative Rules of South Dakota numbered

§§ 20:76:08:01, §§ 20:76:08:02, §§ 20:76:08:02.01, §§ 20:76:08:02.02

The effect of the rules will be to remove from rule the list of recognized facilities to offer massage education, clarify the acceptance of out-of-state education, state that in-state schools must apply to be a recognized facility, add criteria for the application process, and develop criteria for who is eligible to teach massage therapy.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is the board wants to remove the names of recognized facilities from administrative rule and develop a process for other individuals or entities to open schools of massage therapy education, and identify who is eligible to be a massage therapy instructor.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may appear in-person at the hearing, or mail or e-mail them to Board of Massage Therapy, 1601 N Harrison Ave Ste 6, Pierre SD 57501 and kate.boyd@state.sd.us. The deadline for submission of any written comments for consideration by this part-time board is seventy-two hours before the date of the public hearing September 29, 9:00 am CDT.

After the written comment period, the Board of Massage Therapy will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Board of Massage Therapy may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

For Persons with Disabilities: This hearing will be via Microsoft Teams. The Board of Massage Therapy office is located at 1601 N Harrison Ave, Ste 6, Pierre, South Dakota. The office is handicapped accessible. Please contact the Board of Massage Therapy at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements can be made by calling 605-295-8590.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from:

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