Draft Regulation

Professional Code (chapter C-26)

Respiratory therapists

—Professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists

-Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists, made by the board of directors of the Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec and appearing below, is published as a draft and may be examined by the Office des professions du Québec then submitted to the Government which may approve it, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation updates the definition of respiratory therapy extern, as well as the wording of the activities that externs may engage in. It also allows externs to engage in the authorized activities in an emergency service or department by reinforcing their supervision conditions.

The draft Regulation has no impact on the public or on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Mtre. Andréanne LeBel, Director, legal affairs, Ordre professionnel des inhalothérapeutes du Québec, 1440, rue Sainte-Catherine Ouest, bureau 721, Montréal (Québec) H3G 1R8; telephone: 514 931-2900 or 1 800 561-0029; email: dir.juridique@opiq.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Roxanne Guévin, Secretary, Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3; email: secretariat@opq.gouv.qc.ca. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister of Higher Education and may also be sent to the professional order that made the Regulation and to interested persons, departments and bodies.

ROXANNE GUÉVIN Secretary, Office des professions du Québec

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists

Professional Code (chapter C-26, s. 94, 1st par., subpar. h)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting the professional activities that may be engaged in by persons other than respiratory therapists (chapter C-26, r. 164.1) is amended in section 1
- (1) by replacing "a person" in paragraph 2 by "a respiratory therapy student";
- (2) by inserting "a person eligible by equivalence" after "permit issued by the Order or" in paragraph 2.
- **2.** Section 5 is amended by replacing paragraphs 1 to 3 by the following:
- "(1) setting up and monitoring equipment used to administer oxygen, and administering oxygen via the respiratory tract with the help of non-invasive apparatus, except devices that generate positive pressure;
- (2) administering aerosol therapy medications without positive pressure.".
- **3.** Section 6 is amended
- (1) by replacing subparagraph 5 of the first paragraph by the following:
 - "(5) engage in those activities
 - (a) according to an individual prescription;
- (b) under the supervision of a respiratory therapist who, in order to intervene rapidly, is present in the centre or, when the respiratory therapy extern engages in those activities in the emergency service or department, is present in the emergency service or department; and
- (c) with a patient whose state of health is not in a critical phase or does not require frequent adjustments.";
- (2) by striking out "an emergency service or department," in the second paragraph.
- **4.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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