

## ADOPTIONS 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: June 13, 2022.

New Expiration Date: June 13, 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 scheduled to expire on July 10, 2022, which date was extended to July 13, 2022 by Gubernatorial Order, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.d, to effectuate this rulemaking. 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; 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.