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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Informal Meeting

At the DPOS Board meeting held on 3/26/19, Board members briefly discussed rules during the last portion of their meeting. During the regular session, the Director recapped the concerns raised by Massage Therapist in Colorado including: correspondence and conversations from and with stakeholders prior to the introduction of proposed legislation; the introduction of SB 19-089 seeking a statutory exemption of CE of Massage Therapy from the Private Occupational Schools Act; the attempt to schedule an informal stakeholder meeting (and the decision to cancel that meeting); and all of the comments and correspondence received by the Division and shared with the Board in anticipation of rulemaking. While the Board commented that it had reviewed written comments sent to Division staff, it discussed the need to further consider additional information before commencing or formally noticing the rulemaking process. The Board made it clear that the Division was to receive any and all comments as the Board would not take oral comments until it had noticed and set a time for rulemaking hearing. The Board asked that anyone wishing to make a comment on the matter prior to the hearing should do so directly to the Division in writing and additionally reiterated that the Board will follow the Secretary of State calendar for rulemaking at a later date.

While the Division has already received a number of phone calls and written comments, it will hold an informal information gathering meeting regarding Massage Therapy continuing education concerns that have not yet been communicated. This



informal meeting will not include Board members and will not include red-lined rules provided by the Division/Board. The meeting will be held on April 10, 2019 from 10:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. at the Division offices in the Colorado State Bank and Trust Building at 1600 Broadway, 5th floor conference room, Denver, 80202 for the purpose of gathering information in preparation for potential rulemaking regarding Massage Therapy continuing education. Again, the purpose of this meeting is to help the Division better understand the concerns of the stakeholders regarding the issues surrounding regulation of continuing education courses (in Massage Therapy) and as it relates to the entire set of Division rules and regulations.

Address: Colorado State Bank and Trust Building
1600 Broadway
5th Floor Conference Room
Denver, CO, 80202

Directions: The entrance to the Colorado State Bank and Trust Building is off Broadway and north of 16th street. Please use the right set of elevators and choose floor 5 or visit the security desk for directions.

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Denver, CO 80202

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Denver, CO 80264

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Denver, CO 80202

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