

Notice of Declaratory Ruling Proceeding

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board (Board) hereby gives notice of its intention to issue a declaratory ruling pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-176 on the following issue:

Does using electrolysis to remove hair on a nevus (mole) constitute the practice of medicine in the State of Connecticut?

The Board has prepared this notice in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act (UAPA), Connecticut General Statutes (Conn. Gen. Stat.) §4-166 *et seq.*, and specifically Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-176.

The Department of Public Health (DPH) hereby designates the Board of Electrologists, who requested this declaratory ruling by letter dated November 16, 2022, on behalf of the Connecticut Board of Examiners of Electrologists, as a party in this proceeding.

Any other persons seeking status as a party or intervenor must petition the Board by March 31, 2023. All requests seeking party or intervenor status in this matter shall be submitted in writing in accordance with § 4-176(d) of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and § 19a-9-26 through § 19a-9-28 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. All filings to be submitted to the DPH shall be sent by email to the DPH, Public Health Hearing Office at phho.dph@ct.gov.

A hearing will be held on April 20, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be held by a panel of the Board under the auspices of DPH virtually through Microsoft Teams. Following the hearing, the panel will issue a proposed final decision to the full Board, who will then propose a final decision to the Commissioner of DPH.

By law, a declaratory ruling constitutes a statement of agency law which is binding upon those who participate in the hearing, and may also be utilized by the Connecticut Medical Examining Board, on a case by case basis, in future proceedings before it.

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