



GOBIERNO DE PUERTO RICO

Departamento de Salud

PUBLIC NOTICE

REPEAL THE REGULATION OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH NO. 117 AND ADOPT REGULATIONS OF THE HEALTH SECRETARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND LICENSING OF HOSPITALS IN PUERTO RICO

By virtue of the powers and faculties conferred by Law No. 81 of March 14, 1912, as amended, Law No. 38 of June 30, 2017 and Law No. 101 of June 26, 1965, as amended, and the Secretary of Health informs of his intent to repeal the Regulation of the Secretary of Health No. 117 of 21 December 2004 and adopt regulation to Regulate Constructions, Operation, Maintenance and Licensing of Hospitals in Puerto Rico and repeal the Regulation of the Secretary of Health 6044 of November 7, 1999. The proposed regulation has the purpose of establishing those norms and parameters that will govern the construction, operation, maintenance and licensing of Hospitals in Puerto Rico.

A public hearing for the proposed regulation will be held on March 6, 2018, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, at the Department of Health, Guillermo Arbona Conference Room, located at Building A of the Old Psychiatric Hospital, in the Medical Center complex, Río Piedras.

The public is formally invited to present any comments and/or recommendations within thirty (30) days from the publication of this notice. Comments can be mailed to: Department of Health, Legal Advisors Office, P.O. Box 70184, San Juan, P.R. 00936-8184. Comments and recommendations may also be submitted through the following e-mail address: rhernandez3@salud.pr.gov. To submit comments personally and/or to request a copy of the new regulation proposal, visit the Legal Advisors Office of the Department of Health, Building A, Old Psychiatric Hospital, Medical Center Complex, Río Piedras, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The proposed regulations will also be available at the Department's web page: <http://www.salud.gov.pr>.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, February 7, 2018.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rafael Rodríguez Mercado".

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