## STATE BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Department of Public Health

RULE NUMBER AND TITLE: 420-4-1-.15, Dispensing of Legend Drugs by Alabama Department of Public Health Registered Nurses

INTENDED ACTION: New Rule 420-4-1-.15.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: To authorize the agency to establish protocol for ADPH nurses to utilize patient delivered partner therapy through which they will dispense legend drugs to patients diagnosed with Chlamydia trachomatis or Trichomoniasis for delivery to their sexual partners, without testing, performing an examination, or establishing a nurse-patient relationship with partners. The proposed rule also reflects the Board of Pharmacy's previous approval for ADPH nurses to dispense legend drugs for the treatment of meningitis and pertussis.

TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on April 17, 2014, at the Alabama Department of Public Health, RSA Tower, Suite 1540, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, AL 36104.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENTS AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written or oral comments will be received until the close of the record at 5:00 p.m. on <a href="May 5, 2014"><u>May 5, 2014</u></a>. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Harrison Wallace, Director of the Bureau of Communicable Disease, Department of Public Health, 201 Monroe Street, Suite 1460, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Telephone number (334) 206-5325.

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