

DECEMBER 20, 2014 NOTICE OF INTENT: ABORTION FACILITIES – LICENSING STANDARDS

This website posting is in response to correspondence received regarding the **Abortion Facilities - Licensing Standards** Notice of Intent which was published in the December 20, 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Since 2010, the Louisiana Legislature has enacted several Acts which amended the laws governing abortion services and the Louisiana Children's Code. The Abortion Facilities - Licensing Standards Notice of Intent proposes to repeal and replace the provisions governing the licensing standards for abortion facilities in order to incorporate the changes imposed by legislation, and to further revise and clarify these provisions.

Numerous public comments were received regarding this proposed Rule. The Department will take these comments into consideration as we move forward with the administrative rulemaking process to establish clear and concise provisions governing the licensing standards for abortion facilities.

The Department would like to thank all who took the time to provide comments and hope that you will continue to work with us as we strive to improve health care outcomes for Louisiana citizens.