

Title 19—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES
Division 30—Division of Regulation and Licensure
Chapter 30 — Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Abortion Facilities

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

19 CSR 30-30.030 General Design and Construction Standards for Ambulatory Surgical Centers

The Department of Health and Senior Services is amending subsection (1)(B).

PURPOSE: This proposed amendment updates the planning and construction procedure utilized in the construction of ambulatory surgical centers. The proposed amendment removes the requirement that the plans submitted by the ambulatory surgical center operator or owner receive written approval.

(B) Planning and Construction Procedure.

1. Plans and specifications complying with 19 CSR 30-30.040 shall be prepared for the construction of all ambulatory surgical centers and any additions to and remodeling of ambulatory surgical centers. Plans for ambulatory surgical centers which in addition to other surgical procedures will offer abortion services shall incorporate facilities for patient counseling as required for licensed abortion facilities in 19 CSR 30-30.070(2)(Z). The plans and specifications shall be prepared by an architect or a professional engineer licensed to practice in Missouri. The plans and specifications shall **be provided to** *[have received written approval of]* the Department of Health prior to the submission of an application for licensure of the new facility. The license for a new ambulatory surgical center will not be issued prior to the facility being inspected and found in substantial compliance with this rule.
2. The Department *[of Health]* shall be notified within five (5) days after construction begins. If construction of the project is not started within one (1) year *[after the date of approval of the plans and specifications]*, the plans and specifications shall be amended if necessary to comply with the then current regulations before construction work commences (see 19 CSR 30-30.040 Preparation of Plans and Specifications for Ambulatory Surgical Centers).

AUTHORITY: section 197.225, RSMo 1986. This rule was previously filed as 13 CSR 50-30.030. Original rule filed Dec. 2, 1975, effective Feb. 1, 1976. Amended: Filed Jan. 3, 1990, effective April 12, 1990. Amended: Filed July 23, 2026

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with Mindy Laughlin at Mindy.Laughlin@health.mo.gov or Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101-0570. To be considered,

comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the Missouri Register. No public hearing is scheduled.