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DPHSS Reminds Cosmetic Establishments of Upcoming Compliance Deadline and New Training Requirements

Hagåtña, Guam — The Division of Environmental Health (DEH) of the Department of Public Health and Social Services would like to remind all operators of cosmetic establishments that the three-year grace period to fully comply with the new “*Rules and Regulations Governing Barber and Beauty Shops, Cosmetology Schools, and Nail Salons,*” which was adopted in August 11, 2023 via Public Law 37-38, will end August 11, 2026. The regulation will be enforced after this date.

These requirements were previously announced in Press Release PR25-127 “DPHSS to Require Health Certificate Training Courses for All Persons Employed in a Cosmetic Establishment”, issued in September 2025, to provide affected establishments and applicants advance notice and preparation time prior to implementation.

The establishments affected include Barber Shops, Beauty Salons, Cosmetology Schools, and Nail Salons.

The Department further reminds employees of cosmetic establishments that when seeking new or renewal Health Certificate, they will be required to take and pass the Cosmetology Health Certificate Training Course pursuant to §4408 (a)(2) of the “*Health Certificate Rules and Regulations.*” The effective date for this new requirement is tentatively scheduled for August 17, 2026.

The training course will provide general and specific sanitation standards of cosmetic establishments for attendees; so, to provide them with the knowledge in ensuring compliance with the new regulation. The annual fee for the Health Certificate will remain at **\$10.00**, while the fee for the Health Certificate training course shall be **\$15.00**, in accordance with the regulation governing the issuance of Health Certificates.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Division of Environmental Health at (671) 922-2530/32/33 or email dphss-deh@dphss.guam.gov.

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