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## Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine

### Ambulatory Mobile Service Establishments – Change of Location without Inspection

Question: Is an inspection required when an ambulatory mobile service establishment changes location?

Answer: The *Regulations Governing the Practice of Veterinary Medicine* states the following:

#### ***18VAC150-20-180. Requirements to be registered as a veterinary establishment.***

*A. Every veterinary establishment shall apply for registration on a form provided by the board and submit the application fee specified in 18VAC150-20-100. The board may issue a registration as a stationary or ambulatory establishment. Every veterinary establishment shall have a veterinarian-in-charge registered with the board in order to operate.*

*2. An application for registration must be made to the board 45 days in advance of opening or changing the location of the establishment or requesting a change in the establishment category listed on the registration.*

Minutes from December 19, 1996, meeting and subsequent revisions on November 14, 2007 and October 24, 2017, reflect that the Board determined ambulatory mobile service establishment are allowed to change location without an inspection, but the establishment must inform the Board within 30 days if there is any change in the address of record pursuant to the following regulation:

#### ***18VAC150-20-30. Posting of licenses; accuracy of address.***

*B. It shall be the duty and responsibility of each licensee, registrant, and holder of a registration to operate a veterinary establishment to keep the board apprised at all times of his current address of record and the public address, if different from the address of record. All notices required by law or by this chapter to be mailed to any veterinarian, veterinary technician, registered equine dental technician, or holder of a registration to operate a veterinary establishment shall be validly given when mailed to the address of record furnished to the board pursuant to this regulation. All address changes shall be furnished to the board within 30 days of such change.*