

**Cover Summary of Proposed Administrative Rules/Regulation  
Arkansas Department of Health**

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**SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE:** *Rules for Home Health Agencies in Arkansas*

1. Subject: Rule revisions for Acts 70, 313, 830
2. Amends existing rules
3. Authority: Ark. Code Ann. § 20-10-801 *et seq.*
4. Purpose:
  - *To amend the aide training requirements to include Alzheimer’s disease and dementia (Act 70)*
  - *To require posting of a written notice that attacking a healthcare professional is a felony (Act 313)*
  - *To amend the patient right to know regarding licensure of a healthcare provider (Act 830)*
5. Changes as listed:
  - Section 11.H. – added requirement for written notice for attacking a healthcare professional.
  - Section 11.I. – added requirement regarding healthcare provider not misleading the public regarding licensure.
  - Table 1-1. – added training requirements for Alzheimer’s disease and dementia for Personal Care Aides.
  - Table 2-1. - added training requirements for Alzheimer’s disease and dementia for Home Health Aides.
6. Financial impact: No financial impact.
7. Public Hearing: *N/A; Public comment period 12/01/2023 to 12/31/2023(est.)*
8. Proposed effective date: *March 1, 2024*

A strike-through copy of the proposed changes is attached.