

## NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HEALTH PROGRAM SERVICES

[R07-352]

- 1. Title and its heading:**  
**Chapter and its heading:**  
**Article and its heading:**  
**Section numbers:**

**9. Health Services**  
13, Department of Health Services – Health Program Services  
1, Hearing Screening  
R9-13-101 through R9-13-110 (The Department may add, delete, or modify Sections as necessary.)
- 2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:**  
According to A.R.S. §§ 36-899.01 and 36-899.02, the Arizona Department of Health Services' (Department's) hearing screening rules, 9 A.A.C. 13, Article 1, promote systematic screening by Arizona's schools for hearing disorders in the student population, allowing early identification and appropriate intervention. In this rulemaking, the Department is changing the Article's heading to "School Hearing Screening," revising the rules to conform to current audiological practices, and making the rules more clear, concise, and understandable. The Department may add, delete, or modify Sections as necessary.

**The agency docket number:**  
RE-023-07
- 3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**  
None
- 4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rules:**

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- 5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**  
The Department will accept written comments at the addresses listed in item 4 until the close of record, which has not yet been determined. The Department has not scheduled any oral proceedings at this time.
- 6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**  
To be announced