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MEMORANDUM

TO: S. Hughes Melton, MD, MBA

Commissioner

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

FROM: Braden J. Curtis

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DATE: August 15, 2018

SUBJECT: Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral

Health and Developmental Services

Adds licensed psychiatric/mental health nurse practitioner in the definition of

licensed mental health professional

12VAC35-105-20

I have reviewed the proposed amendment to 12VAC35-105-20 of the *Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services*, which was adopted by the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services on July 11, 2018. The Board has the authority to adopt this amendment pursuant to Virginia Code § 37.2-203. The proposed amendment to this regulation is constitutional and does not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.