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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dr. David E. Brown

Director

Virginia Department of Health Professions

**FROM:** James E. Rutkowski

Assistant Attorney General

**DATE:** November 19, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Periodic Review of the Regulations Governing the Prescription

Monitoring Program 18 VAC 76-20

In accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-4017, I have reviewed the Department of Health Professions' *Regulations Governing the Prescription Monitoring Program*, 18 VAC 76-20. These regulations are undergoing periodic review. In my opinion, the Department of Health Professions had the authority under Virginia Code § 54.1-2520 to adopt the current regulations, and the Department of Health Professions has the authority to amend the regulations.