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Jay P. Douglas Executive Director Virginia Board of Nursing 6603 West Broad Street Richmond, VA 23230-1712

RE: Regulations of the Boards of Nursing and Medicine

Dear Ms. Douglas:

I have reviewed the amendments to Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners and Regulations Governing Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners correcting a Code cite for the Administrative Process Act.

Therefore, I find the amended regulations are "necessary to conform to changes in Virginia statutory law or the appropriation act where no agency discretion is involved." § 2.2-4006 (A)(4)(a) is applicable and the amendment is exempt from Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act.

Sincerely,

Senior Assistant Attorney General

c: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions