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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Karen Remley

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DATE: September 25, 2012

SUBJECT: Regulations for Licensure of Hospitals in Virginia

12 VAC 5-410-10 et seg.

Regulations for Licensure of Abortion Facilities

12 VAC 5-412-10 et seq.

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the *Regulations for Licensure of Hospitals in Virginia*, 12 VAC 5-410-10 *et seq.*, and the proposed *Regulations for Licensure of Abortion Facilities*, 12 VAC 5-412-10 *et seq.*, that were adopted by the State Board of Health on September 14, 2012. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt these Regulations under Virginia Code § 32.1-12 and § 32.1-127. The proposed Regulations are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.