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M. Norman Oliver, M.D., M.A. State Health Commissioner Virginia Department of Health 109 Governor Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Prescription Drug Price Transparency Regulations

12 VAC 5-219

Dear Dr. Oliver:

I have reviewed the Virginia Department of Health's Prescription Drug Price Transparency Regulations. The amended regulations do not conflict with other federal or state statutes or regulations and do not violate the United States or Virginia Constitutions.

The Board of Health has the authority to promulgate the regulations as emergency regulations under Va. Code § 32.1-12 and Chapter 304 of the 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I. The regulations are consistent with the Board's mandate as set forth in these sections. The Board of Health will not exceed its statutory authority in promulgating these regulatory amendments.

Very truly yours,

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