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MEMORANDUM

- TO: James W. Stewart, III Commissioner
- FROM: Karen A. DeSousa DBHDS Special Counsel
- **DATE:** May 13, 2011
- SUBJECT: Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers Licensed, Funded, or Operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services 12 VAC 35-115-10 et seq.

I have reviewed the proposed revisions to the *Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers Licensed, Funded, or Operated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services*, 12 VAC 35-115-10 *et seq.*, that were adopted by the State Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services on April 28, 2011. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt these Regulations under Virginia Code §§ 37.2-203(6) and 37.2-400. The proposed Regulations are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.