



## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Board of Medicine, Department of Health Professions
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	18VAC85-80-10 et seq.
<b>Regulation title</b>	Regulations Governing the Practice of Occupational Therapy
<b>Action title</b>	Revised definition of practice
<b>Final agency action date</b>	8/3/12
<b>Document preparation date</b>	8/6/12

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### Summary

*Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

The Board has amended sections 90 and 100 on general and individual responsibilities of occupational therapists to conform regulations to changes in the Code of Virginia in Chapter 168 of the 2012 Acts of the Assembly (HB268). In the amended regulation, the scope of practice and description of services to be rendered are revised for consistency with the amended definition of the practice of occupational therapy in § 54.1-2900.

### Statement of final agency action

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

On August 3, 2012, the Board of Medicine amended 18VAC85-80-90 and 18VAC85-80-100 in Regulations Governing the Practice of Occupational Therapy.

**Family impact**

*Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.*

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There is no impact on the family.