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William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Medicine
6603 West Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23230-1712

RE: 18 VAC 85-20-10 et seq.
Regulations Governing the Practice of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry and Chiropractic

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the proposed regulation, 18 VAC 85-20-10 et seq., in accordance with the Administrative Process Act, as adopted by the Board of Medicine at its meeting on November 17, 2005.

I find that the proposed regulations for reporting of malpractice paid claims are consistent with statutory authority and do not conflict with existing law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. O. Wingfield".

Emily O. Wingfield
Assistant Attorney General

c: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator
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