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William L. Harp, M.D. Executive Director Virginia Board of Medicine 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300 Richmond, VA 23233-1463

RE: Proposed Regulations 18 VAC85-20-10 et seq. Regulations Governing the Practice of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry and Chiropractic

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the Proposed Regulations, as cited above, in accordance with the Administrative Process Act. The amended regulations to establish regulations for the treatment of chronic pain are constitutional and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions