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## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Health
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	12 VAC 5-220-110 and 200
Regulation title	Medical Care Facilities Certificate of Public Need Rules and Regulations
Action title	To amend specific sections related to miscellaneous capital expenditures pursuant §32.1-102.1 of Code of Virginia
Final agency action date	July 1, 2011
Document preparation date	April 20, 2011

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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.

Section 32.1-102.1 of the Code of Virginia related to the Certificate of Public Need program by requires an annual increase in the threshold for capital expenditure projects to "reflect inflation using appropriate measures incorporating construction costs and medical inflation." Therefore, 12 VAC 5-220-110 and 200 must be amended annually to conform to the law. Using the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Department of Labor, the capital expenditure threshold for projects requiring registration increased from \$5,548,790 to \$5,698,607 and those projects requiring the filing of an application increased from \$16,646,371 to \$17,095,823.

## Statement of final agency action

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Pursuant to §32.1-20 of the Code of Virginia, the State Health Commissioner signed this action for the Board of Health when not in session.

## Family impact

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

There is no direct impact on the family.