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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	22 VAC30-100
Regulation title	Adult Protective Services
Action title	Relocating existing regulations on Adult Protective Services from DSS to DARS
Final agency action date	October 9, 2013
Document preparation date	August 7, 2013

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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.

On July 1, 2013 and pursuant Chapter 803 and Chapter 835 of the 2012 Acts of Assembly, Adult Services and Adult Protective Services Programs were relocated from the Department of Social Services to the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS), which was created pursuant to § 51.5-117 of the Code of Virginia. This change is a result of the Governor's reorganization of the executive branch of state government.

In section 10 of the Adult Protective Services regulation, "Department of Social Services" has been changed to the "Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services." The definition of "Commissioner" has also been amended.

Because portions of this regulation are implemented by the local department of social services, references to these local departments remain throughout the regulation.

Because this regulation is now being promulgated by a different agency, the agency and chapter numbers for each section of the regulation have been changed. Also, the Code of Virginia citations,

which authorized each section of this regulation to be promulgated, have been changed to the appropriate DARS Code of Virginia citation.

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 October 9, 2013, the Commissioner of the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services will adopt these amendments to the existing regulations entitled Adult Protective Services (22 VAC30-100 et seq.) as a regulatory action exempt from the Administrative Process Act under §2.2-4006 of the Code of Virginia.

Family impact

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

This regulatory action does not have any impact on the institution of the family and family stability.