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MEMORANDUM

To: DBHDS Licensed Providers
From: Jae Benz, Director, Office of Licensing
Cc: Veronica Davis, Associate Director for State Licensure Operations
Mackenzie Glassco, Associate Director of Quality & Compliance
Angelica Howard, Associate Director of Administrative & Specialized Units
Date: June 6, 2025
RE: Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions per ED1

This memo is applicable to ALL DBHDS licensed providers.

In accordance with Executive Directive 1 (2022), the Governor instructed all Executive Branch entities to initiate regulatory processes aimed at reducing the number of regulations not mandated by federal or state statute by at least 25%. This process was conducted in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General and in a manner consistent with the laws of the Commonwealth. DBHDS' goal was to reduce the administrative burden and compliance costs on licensed providers by repealing or simplifying regulatory provisions that are obsolete, overly prescriptive, duplicative, or confusing. Over the past few years, the Office of Regulatory Affairs and the Office of Licensing worked diligently to identify non-controversial regulations to be reduced while still maintaining protection for individuals.

As a result, several regulations have been repealed (removed) or amended (changed). **The amended regulations will take effect on June 19, 2025.** The Office of Licensing has developed resource tools (linked below) to inform and prepare licensed providers for these regulatory changes. The Office of Licensing strongly recommends that providers use these resources to familiarize themselves with these changes.

General Regulations 12VAC35-105

- [Regulatory Reduction Actions PowerPoint \(12VAC35-105\)](#)
- [Recorded Presentation \(12VAC35-105\)](#)
- For more information about Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions related to 12VAC-35-105, please visit Virginia Regulatory Town Hall - Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions per ED1: [Virginia Regulatory Town Hall Show XML](#).

Children's Regulations 12VAC35-46

- [Regulatory Reduction Actions PowerPoint \(12VAC35-46\)](#)
- [Recorded Presentation \(12VAC35-46\)](#)
- For more information about Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions related to 12VAC-35-46, please visit Virginia Regulatory Town Hall - Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions per ED1: [Virginia Regulatory Town Hall Show XML](#).

If you have questions related to these changes, please use this link to submit them to the Office of Licensing: [Q&A Submission Form: Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions per ED1](#)