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William L. Harp, M.D. Executive Director Virginia Board of Medicine Department of Health Professions 6603 West Broad Street, 5th Floor Richmond, Virginia 23230

Re: Regulations Governing the Practice of Medicine, Osteopathy, Podiatry, and Chiropractic 18 VAC 85-20 10 et seq. Ethical Standards for Practice

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the proposed regulations adopted by the Board of Medicine on June 24, 2004 establishing ethical standards of practice. I find that the proposed regulations are consistent with statutory authority and do not conflict with existing law.

Sincerely,

Emily O. Wingfield Assistant Attorney General

cc: Elaine Yeatts, Department of Health Professions