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William L. Harp, M.D. **Executive Director** Virginia Board of Medicine 6603 West Broad Street Richmond, VA 23230-1712

RE: 18VAC85-120-10 et seq. **Regulations Governing the Licensure of Athletic Trainers**

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the proposed regulation, 18VAC85-120-10 et seq., in accordance with the Administrative Process Act, as adopted by the Board of Medicine through a fast-track action at its meeting on May 20, 2005. The amended regulation to clarify that the certification issued by the National Athletic Trainer Association Board of Certification (NATABOC) for an athletic trainer must be current at the time of initial licensure is constitutional and in conformity with statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

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