

MEMORANDUM

TO: James S. Reinhard, M.D.
Commissioner
Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and
Substance Abuse Services

FROM: Jane D. Hickey
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DATE: September 29, 2005

SUBJECT: Proposed Amended *Rules and Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers of Mental Health, Mental Retardation or Substance Abuse Services*, 12 VAC 35-115-10 *et seq.*

I have reviewed the proposed amended *Rules and Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers of Mental Health, Mental Retardation or Substance Abuse Services*, 12 VAC 35-115-10 *et seq.* The State Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services Board has the authority to adopt the *Regulations* under Va. Code §§ 37.2-203 and 37.2-400 and is required to do so. The proposed amended *Regulations* are constitutional and do not conflict with existing State or federal law or regulations.

Please contact this Office if we may be of assistance with this process.

cc: Wendy Brown