



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Office of the Attorney General

202 North Ninth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
804-786-2071
FAX 804-786-1991
Virginia Relay Services
800-828-1120

Mark R. Herring
Attorney General

MEMORANDUM

TO: William L. Harp, MD
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Medicine

FROM: Erin L. Barrett
Assistant Attorney General

DATE: January 30, 2018

SUBJECT: *Regulations Governing the Practice of Doctors of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry, and Chiropractic*
18VAC85-20-10 *et seq.*
Regulations Governing the Practice of Physician Assistants
18VAC85-50-10 *et seq.*

I have reviewed the amendments to the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Doctors of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry, and Chiropractic*, 18VAC85-20-10, *et seq.*, and the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Physician Assistants*, 18VAC85-50-10, *et seq.* The proposed regulations set forth requirements for doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathic medicine, and physician assistants to practice laser hair removal and/or supervise laser hair removal by unlicensed, properly trained personnel. The Board of Medicine has the statutory authority to propose these regulations under Virginia Code §§ 54.1-2400(6) and 54.1-2973.1. The proposed regulations are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.

