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## **MEMORANDUM**

- TO: Nelson Smith Commissioner Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services
- FROM: Braden J. Curtis Assistant Attorney General
- **DATE:** August 2, 2022
- **SUBJECT:** Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Amendments to align with the ASAM criteria 12VAC35-105

I have reviewed the proposed replacement regulations, the Rules and Regulations for Licensing Providers by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, 12VAC35-105, that were adopted by the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services ("Board") on July 13, 2022. The Board has the authority to adopt these replacement regulations pursuant to Virginia Code § 37.2-203. The proposed regulations are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.