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## **MEMORANDUM**

- TO: Kathryn Hayfield Commissioner Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services
- **FROM:** Vanessa Cordero MacLeod Assistant Attorney General
- **DATE:** March 18, 2020

SUBJECT: Protections of Participants in Human Research, 22VAC30-40

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to 22VAC30-40. These amendments were approved by the Commissioner. This action is exempt from the operation of the Administrative Process Act and review by the Executive Branch under Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c) and 2.2-4006(A)(3), as it is necessary to conform to changes in federal regulations and to make technical corrections.

The Commissioner has the statutory authority to adopt these amendments under Virginia Code § 51.5-131. The proposed Regulations are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.