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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	State Board of Social Services
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	22 VAC 40-740
Regulation title	Adult Protective Services
Action title	Amend Adult Protective Services regulations to comport with legislation adopted in 2009
Final agency action date	June 17, 2009
Document preparation date	June 17, 2009

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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Amending 22 VAC 40-740 is necessary to comport with legislative changes from the 2009 Session of the General Assembly. Changes include (1) amending the definition of neglect to include a religious non-medical treatment exemption (Chapter 705 of the 2009 Acts of Assembly); (2) changing the description of mandated reporting requirements for emergency medical services personnel to allow for direct reporting to the attending physician at the hospital to which an adult is transported (Chapter 538 of the 2009 Acts of Assembly); and (3) changing the name of the Department of Mental Health Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (Chapter 840 of the 2009 Acts of Assembly).

Statement of final agency action

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Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

The proposed amendment to 22 VAC 40-740, Adult Protective Services, was approved on June 17, 2009 by the State Board of Social Services.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

These regulatory changes will not have an impact on the institution of family or family stability.