



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Board of Psychology, Department of Health Professions
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	18VAC125-20
Regulation title	Regulations Governing the Practice of Psychology
Action title	Electronic submission of applications and renewals
Final agency action date	October 6, 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.

Amendments to Chapter 20 are adopted by the Board of Psychology to facilitate electronic submissions of applications and renewals. Requirements for all documents to be submitted in one package are eliminated to allow the application to be submitted electronically by the applicants and other documents (licensure verification, transcripts, exam scores, etc.) to be sent by the applicant or directly from the source. References to a renewal *application* are amended to use the term *renewal form*, since renewal of a license or certificate can now be accomplished on-line by completion of an electronic form and submission of a fee.

The action is exempt and not subject to requirements of the Administrative Process Act in compliance with Chapter 85 of the 2009 Acts of the Assembly.

Statement of final agency action

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.

On October 6, 2009, the Board of Psychology adopted final amendments to 18VAC125-20-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Psychology.

Family impact

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

This action has no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.