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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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FROM:

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Office of the Attorney General

DATE:

January 29, 2015

SUBJECT:

Periodic Review of 12 VAC 30-5 et seq.

Public Participation Guidelines

I have reviewed the above-referenced regulations, which are undergoing a periodic review, to determine if the State Board of Medical Assistance Services ("Board") has the statutory authority to promulgate 12 VAC 30-5 *et. seq.* and if the regulations exceed the Board's rulemaking authority.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 32.1-325 and § 2.2-4007 *et seq.*, the Board has the statutory authority to promulgate regulations to promote public participation for soliciting the input of interested parties in the formation and development of DMAS' regulations and the regulations do not exceed the agency's rulemaking authority.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (804) 786-6004.

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