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## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Board of Medicine, Department of Health Professions
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation(s)</b>	18VAC85-40-10 et seq.
<b>Regulation title(s)</b>	Regulations Governing the Practice of Respiratory Care Practitioners
<b>Action title</b>	Change in terminology
<b>Final agency action date</b>	August 7, 2015
<b>Date this document prepared</b>	August 7, 2015

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### Brief summary

*Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

With the passage of HB1818 in the 2015 Session of the General Assembly, the term "respiratory care practitioner" was changed in the Code of Virginia to "respiratory therapist." Accordingly, the change is made in regulations for respiratory therapists.

### 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 August 7, 2015, the Board of Medicine amended 18VAC85-40-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Respiratory Care Practitioners.

### Family impact

*Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.*

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There is no impact on the family.