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As Director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services ("Department"), pursuant to Executive Orders 20-02 and 20-04, I am vested with the authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory requirement or administrative rule, upon approval of the Office of the Governor. After consultation with and receiving approval from the Office of the Governor, I am hereby waiving the following laws in order to assist the state, and its citizens prepare and respond to COVID-19 until May 15, 2020, unless otherwise modified by the Department.

Level I Medication Aide

19 CSR 30-84.030(1)(H)(4) shall be waived to the extent necessary to allow classroom training via webinar or other online instructional platform.

19 CSR 30-84.030(7)(A) shall be waived to the extent the regulation prohibits only certain individuals from being allowed to enroll in the Level I Medication Aide course. This waiver shall allow for individuals not employed by a residential care facility or assisted living facility in direct resident care to be able to enroll in the Level I Medication Aide course. This waiver also allows for individuals who are employed by the residential care facility or assisted living facility and not involved in direct resident care to be able to enroll in the Level I Medication Aide course.

19 CSR 30-84.030(7)(C) shall be waived to allow individuals who have completed the medication administration or pharmacology course in a professional nursing program, with a passing grade, to be able to administer medications without attending the Level I Medication Aide course or challenging the final examination. Documentation of the course work shall be kept by the facility.

19 CSR 30-84.030(7)(E)1 shall be waived to the extent the provisions require a Level I Medication Aide to complete biennial training during the state of emergency. This waiver shall allow Level I Medication Aides who are required to complete biennial training during the state of emergency an extra (2) months after the state of emergency has ended to complete the biennial training.

19 CSR 30-84.030(8)(B) shall be waived to the extent the provisions require an individual to have had one (1) year of experience working as a nurse and to have attended and successfully completed a "Train the Trainer" workshop in order to be qualified as an instructor to teach a Level I Medication Aide course. This waiver allows for an Level I Medication Aide instructor to only meet the requirements set forth in 19 CSR 30-84.030(8)(A) to be an Level I Medication Aide instructor.

19 CSR 30-84.030(9)(A)2 shall be waived to the extent the provisions require the practicum examination for Level I Medication Aides to occur in a residential care facility or assisted living facility. This waiver allows the practicum examination to occur in a laboratory setting.

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19 CSR 30-84.030(10)(A)1-3 shall be waived to the extent registered nurses have to meet certain requirements to be a registered nurse presenter in a Level I Medication Aide course. This waiver allows a Level I Medication Aide course registered nurse presenter to only have to be a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse with a current Missouri nurse license.

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