April 22, 2020

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.

Physical Plant Requirements for Intermediate Care, Skilled Nursing, Residential Care and Assisted Living Facilities

19 CSR 30-85.032(31)(B) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require new and existing intermediate care and skilled nursing facilities to have a qualified electrician certify in writing, every two (2) years, that the electrical system is being maintained to the appropriate standards. This waiver allows the required written certification by a qualified electrician to be delayed. Facilities have until two (2) months after the state of emergency has concluded to be current with the required maintenance of electrical systems.

19 CSR 30-86.032(13) shall be waived to the extent that the provisions require assisted living facilities and residential care facilities to have a qualified electrician inspect the wiring in the facility every two (2) years. This waiver allows the required inspection by a qualified electrician to be delayed. Facilities have until two (2) months after the state of emergency has concluded to be current with the required inspection of wiring in the facility.

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