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November 20, 2003

Charles D. Hummer, Jr., M.D., Chairman
State Board of Medicine
2601 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-4912 (IRRC #2212)
State Board of Medicine
Physician Delegation of Medical Services

Dear Chairman Hummer:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Thomas P. Gannon, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Pedro A. Cortes, Secretary, Department of State

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 20, 2003

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Regulation No. 16A-4912
State Board of Medicine
Physician Delegation of Medical Services

On August 24, 2001, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 18. The proposed regulation was published in the September 8, 2001 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 8, 2003.

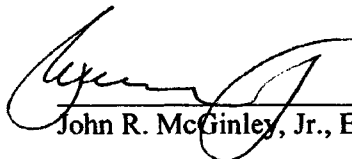
This rulemaking establishes criteria under which medical doctors may delegate the performance of medical services to health care practitioners or technicians.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 422.17(b)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.




John R. McGinley, Jr., Esq., Chairman