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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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June 3, 2010

Ann L. O'Sullivan, PhD FAAN, CRNP, Chair State Board of Nursing 2601 North 3rd Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-5133 (IRRC #2700) State Board of Nursing Clinical Nurse Specialists

Dear Ms. O'Sullivan:

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,

Arthur Coccodrill

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Majority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Michael P. McGeehan, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Julie Harhart, Minority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable Pedro A. Cortes, Secretary, Department of State

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 3, 2010

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Regulation No. 16A-5133 (#2700) State Board of Nursing Clinical Nurse Specialists

On June 4, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Nursing (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 21. The proposed regulation was published in the June 14, 2008 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on April 19, 2010.

This regulation establishes the classification of clinical nurse specialist, as authorized by Act 49 of 2007.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 212.1(k) and 218.5) 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.



Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman