

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held December 12, 2013

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman
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Regulation No. 16A-4930 (#2942)
State Board of Medicine
Physician Assistants and Respiratory
Therapists

On May 2, 2012, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapters 16 and 18. The proposed regulation was published in the May 12, 2012 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 29, 2013.

This rulemaking aligns the Board's existing regulations with statutory changes made by Act 45 of 2008 to the Medical Practice Act of 1985.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 422.8, 422.8a, 422.13(c) and 422.13a(c)) 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.



Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman