

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held September 18, 2014

John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman
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Regulation No. 16A-4937 (#3034)
State Board of Medicine
Genetic Counselors

On October 7, 2013, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Sections 16.11 and 16.13 and adds Sections 18.701 to 18.710. The proposed regulation was published in the October 19, 2013 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on June 5, 2014. At its July 10, 2014 public meeting, the Commission voted to disapprove the final-form regulation. On August 29, 2014, the revised final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission.

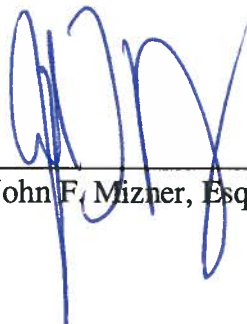
This regulation implements Act 125 of 2011 which established licensure and regulation of genetic counselors. The regulation includes fees, provisions for three types of licensure, biennial registration, disciplinary actions, continuing education and professional liability insurance.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the State Board of Medicine (63 P.S. §422.8) and the intention of the General Assembly. After considering 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, as revised, is approved





John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman