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STANDING ORDER

Order Waiving Physician Assistant Continuing Education Requirements

The Board of Medicine has the authority to initiate waiver of a substantive rule pursuant to N.H. Administrative Rules Plc 211.01 and 211.09. The Board issues this standing order ("Order") effective December 4, 2024, waiving the requirements in Med 613.01 for physician assistants to meet continuing medical education requirements and reporting requirements for renewal of licensure.

This Order finds that such waiver is consistent with criteria set forth in Plc 211.09(b) that "good cause exists" for granting a waiver of substantive rule.

The Board finds that adherence to the newly adopted rule for physician assistant licensees who are scheduled to renew their licenses prior to January 1, 2025, as it would impose a requirement without opportunity for such licensees time to complete continuing education. Such hardship could possibly result in noncompliance and disciplinary proceedings. Waiver of this rule for a limited duration of time does not present a risk to public safety or welfare.

The Board thus finds there is good cause to waive Med 613.01 requiring physician assistants to complete and provide proof of continuing medical education requirements for any licensees who are scheduled to renew their licenses prior to January 1, 2025.

This Standing Order shall expire on January 1, 2026.

By Order of the Board:

Date:

Board Chair: _____