



Healthcare Facility Regulation Division

Updated Rule Variance for Fingerprint Criminal Background Checks **Chapter 111-8-12.05(1)(e)**

Applicable to: Adult Day Centers
Assisted Living Communities
Home Health Agencies
Hospices
Intermediate Care Homes
Nursing Homes
Personal Care Homes
Private Home Care Providers

Effective November 1, 2021. Effective November 1, 2021, the Department is modifying the previous variance which became effective October 1, 2020. The updated rule variance applies to Chapter 111-8-12-.05(1)(e) and is issued under the authority of the September 20, 2021 Executive Order issued by Governor Kemp and subsequent applicable Executive Orders.

Implementation Delay of Rule 111-8-12-.05(1)(e). The Department is delaying the effective date of Rule 111-8-12-.05(1)(e) from January 1, 2021 to **March 31, 2022**. Existing owners, administrators, onsite managers, directors, and direct access employees (who were in place prior to October 1, 2019) must submit a fingerprint record check application on or before **March 31, 2022**.

More information on this change will be posted on the Department's website:

<https://dch.georgia.gov/>