June 12, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: Division Directors and Section Supervisors

FROM: Rhonda Medows, M.D.

SUBJECT: Proposed Administrative Rules

The Board of Community Health has approved for initial adoption proposed rule changes in Chapters 111-5-1, Georgia Volunteer Health Care. You may view the proposed changes online at www.dch.georgia.gov under the Public Meetings tab.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing. Such notice shall be placed on your bulletin board for a minimum period of thirty (30) days prior to the date of the public hearing. After the Notice of Public Hearing has been posted, please confirm via email to Wendella McGaha at wmcgaha@dch.ga.gov.

If you have any questions concerning these proposed rule changes or the public hearing, please direct them to Clyde Reese, General Counsel at (404) 657-7198.

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Enclosures
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on July 16, 2009, at 10:00 am in the Overflow Conference Room adjacent to the Board Room at the Department of Community Health, #2 Peachtree Street, 5th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia, a public hearing will be held for the presentation of proposed administrative rule changes.

The chapter affected by the proposed rule & regulation changes is listed below:

Ga. Admin. Comp. Ch. 111-5-1, Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program

111-5-1-.01 Definitions
111-5-1-.02 Administration of the Program
111-5-1-.04 Volunteers
111-5-1-.05 Patient Selection and Referral
111-5-1-.06 Eligibility
111-5-1-.14 Department Reports

All interested persons are hereby given the opportunity to participate by submitting data, views or arguments (orally or in writing). Oral comments may be limited to 10 minutes per person. If you need auxiliary aids or services because of a disability, please contact the Office of General Counsel at (404) 651-5016 at least (3) three business days prior to the hearing.

Written comments must be submitted to the Department or postmarked no later than the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on July 17, 2009. Comments may be faxed to (404) 463-5025, emailed to wmcgaha@dch.ga.gov or mailed to the address above, attention General Counsel Division.

Unless revision of the proposed rule changes is indicated as a result of the public comments, it is the intent of the Department of Community Health to ask the Board of Community Health to approve the rule(s) as promulgated herein for final adoption on August 13, 2009.

This 12th day of June, 2009.

[Signature]
Rhonda M. Medows, M.D.

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Attachments