INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held September 19, 2024

George D. Bedwick, Chairman John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman John J. Soroko, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 16A-4958 (#3351)
State Board of Medicine
Licensure by Endorsement

On August 1, 2022, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 16 by adding §§ 16.12a, 16.12b, 16.12c, and revising 16.13(a). The proposed regulation was published in the August 13, 2022 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending on September 12, 2022. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on July 25, 2024.

This regulation implements Act 41 of 2019 (Act 41) (63 Pa.C.S. § 3111) which requires licensing boards and commissions to issue a license, certificate, registration, or permit to an applicant who pays fees established by the board or commission by regulation, provided the applicant meets certain criteria for eligibility. Act 41 also requires boards and commissions that issue provisional licenses, certificates, registrations, or permits to set the expiration of the provisional endorsement license by regulation.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 Pa.C.S. § 3111; 63 § P.S. 422.8; 63 P.S. §§ 272.101-272.301; and 63 P.S. §§ 1801-1806.1) 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.