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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Katherine Hayfield  
Commissioner  
Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

**FROM:** Charis A. Mitchell  
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**DATE:** May 14, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Periodic Review of the *Protections of Participants in Human Research*  
22 VAC 30-40

In accordance with Va. Code §§ 2.2-4007.1 and 2.2-4017, I have reviewed the *Protections of Participants in Human Research*, 22 VAC 30-40. These regulations are undergoing periodic review. In my opinion, the Commissioner had the authority under Va. Code § 51.5-132 to adopt the current regulations, and the Commissioner has the authority to amend the regulations.