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Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities Interpretative Guidelines

SUBJECT: Hospice rule 1200-08-27-.05(3) & (5) regarding written plan of care being

established & reviewed by a physician and care or treatment under the supervision of a physician and rule 1200-08-27-.05(9) regarding

medication or treatment ordered by physician

**DATE:** April 1, 2020

**RULES:** During the COVID-19 crisis, the above rules are interpreted to allow nurse

practitioners and/or physician assistants to establish & review the plan of care for patients, the care or treatment of patients shall be under the supervision of a nurse practitioner and/or physician assistant, and medications and treatments shall be on the order of a nurse practitioner and/or physician assistant. This waiver would remain in effect until the

June 2020 Board meeting.