COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE

POLICY 18-01

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INTERIM POLICY ON COMPLIANCE WITH

THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE TRAINING REQUIREMENT

Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014, An Act Relative to Domestic Violence, requires that the Board of Registration in Medicine and other health profession boards develop and administer licensing standards that include education and training on domestic violence and sexual violence. The Board of Medicine is in the process of changing several online procedures to incorporate the domestic violence and sexual violence training requirement into the licensing process. In addition, the Department of Public Health is in the process of developing educational and training materials.

As part of its coordinated plan for the implementation of this statute, the Board adopts the following interim policy, effective immediately:

All applicants for initial full licenses, who file their license applications on July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, shall hereby be granted an automatic administrative waiver of the domestic violence and sexual violence training requirement. All full licensees who renew or apply to revive a lapsed license on July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 shall be granted an automatic administrative waiver of the domestic violence and sexual violence training requirement.

All applicants for initial full licenses who file during this period and all full licensees who apply to renew and all inactive licensees who apply to revive a lapsed license during this period will need to comply with the domestic violence and sexual violence training requirements at their next license renewal.