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State of California
Office of Administrative Law

In re:

Physician Assistant Committee

NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY
ACTION

Regulatory Action:

Government Code Section 11349.3

Title 16, California Code of Regulations

OAL File No. 2008-0918-02 S

Adopt sections: 1399.610, 1399.612

Amend sections: 1399.502

Repeal sections:

The Physician Assistant Committee proposes to adopt the requirements for approval of Controlled Substance Education Courses for Physician Assistants. Prior to enactment of AB 3 in 2007, physician assistants had to obtain patient specific authority from the supervising physician prior to writing drug orders for certain controlled substances (Schedule II through V). In 2007, AB 3 (Stats. 2007, Chapter 376; Bass) eliminated the requirement for the specific prior authority if a Physician Assistant completed an approved Controlled Substance Education Course and the Physician Assistant was authorized to issue and administer the controlled substance through a delegation of services agreement with a supervising physician.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 11/16/2008.

Date: 10/17/2008


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