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RESCISSION OF ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC HEALTH MAXIMIZING HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AVAILABILITY

On March 10, 2020, Governor Charles D. Baker declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth to respond to the spread of COVID-19. On March 11, 2020, in view of the grave threat that the spread of COVID-19 presented to the public health, the Public Health Council authorized and directed me to act pursuant to M.G.L. c. 17, §2A and to take all appropriate actions, incur such liabilities, and establish such rules, requirements, and procedures necessary to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in order to protect the health and welfare of the people of the Commonwealth.

On May 28, 2021, Governor Baker terminated the March 10, 2020 declaration pursuant to Section 2A of Chapter 17 of the General Laws of a public health emergency. All public health emergency orders issued under the authority of the March 10, 2020 declaration will expire at 12:01 am on June 15, 2021 unless previously rescinded.

On April 3, 2020, having received the authorization from the Council described above, and with the approval of the Governor, I issued an Order Rescinding and Replacing the March 29, 2020 Order of the Commissioner of Public Health Maximizing Health Care Provider Availability. That Order is hereby RESCINDED effective immediately, provided that rescission shall not invalidate any allowance made, protection granted, or act taken under the authority of the Order prior to its rescission or impair any license, registration, certification or authorization granted under the authority of the Order prior to its rescission. Each relevant licensing authority shall ensure that all licenses, registrations, certifications or authorizations issued under the authority of this Order prior to its rescission shall remain valid through September 15, 2021.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Monica Bharel, MD, MPH

Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Health June 14, 2021