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Order Extending May 12, 2020, Order Waiving Restrictions on Pharmacists Ordering and Collecting Specimens for COVID-19 Tests By 60 Days

On March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed a <u>State of Emergency</u> to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19 to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization as a result of a broader spread of COVID-19.

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order <u>N-39-20</u>, during the State of Emergency, the Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs may waive any statutory or regulatory professional licensing requirements and amend scopes of practice pertaining to individuals licensed pursuant to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.

On May 12, 2020, the Director issued an Order Waiving Restrictions on Pharmacists Ordering and Collecting Specimens for COVID-19 Tests. The order is scheduled to expire on July 11, 2020.

The Director hereby extends the Order Waiving Restrictions on Pharmacists Ordering and Collecting Specimens for COVID-19 Tests by an additional 60 days. The order now terminates September 9, 2020, unless further extended.

This order is effective immediately and may be amended from time to time in the discretion of the Director.

Dated: July 7, 2020

Signature on File

Kimberly Kirchmeyer Director