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Order Extending May 6, 2020, Order Waiving In-Person Physician Examination Requirement for Continued Physical Therapy Treatment By 60 Days

On March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency 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 N-39-20, during the State of Emergency, the Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs may waive any statutory or regulatory professional licensing requirements pertaining to individuals licensed pursuant to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, including physical therapists.

On May 6, 2020, the Director issued an Order Waiving In-Person Physician Examination Requirement for Continued Physical Therapy Treatment. The order was scheduled to expire on July 5, 2020, but on July 1, 2020, the Director extended the order to September 3, 2020.

The Director hereby further extends the Order Waiving In-Person Physician Examination Requirement for Continued Physical Therapy Treatment by an additional 60 days. The order now terminates November 2, 2020, unless further extended.

This order is effective immediately but may be amended as circumstances require.

Dated: August 27, 2020

Signature on File

Kimberly Kirchmeyer
Director