GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO

PUBLIC NOTICE

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATION OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND LICENSING OF HOSPITALS IN PUERTO RICO

In accordance with the powers and faculties conferred by Act No. 81-1912, Act No. 101-1965, Act No. 38-2017, and Act No. 106-2019, the Secretary of Health intends to amend the Regulation for the Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Licensing of Hospitals in Puerto Rico, Regulation No. 9184 of July 1, 2020, with the purpose of establishing the rules and procedures related to the inclusion of significant persons in intensive care units, and to amend Article 6.06 on transfer services between hospitals.

The draft of the proposed amendment and its flexibility analysis will be available on the website of the Department of Health: http://www.salud.gov.pr. To obtain a copy of the proposed amendment and its flexibility analysis, as well as to submit your comments, you may also visit the Department of Health, formerly known as Psychiatric Hospital, Medical Center, Río Piedras, or write to: Department of Health, P.O. Box 70184, San Juan P.R. 00936-7174.

Comments on the proposed regulation should be sent within thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice to the following email address: <u>wsostre@salud.pr.gov</u>, or by regular mail to the address provided in this notice. A virtual public hearing will be held on September 28, 2021, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Anyone interested in participating in the public hearing should send a message to the following address: wsostre@salud.pr.gov and will receive an invitation with the instructions to connect to the Virtual Public Hearing, or request the instructions to participate by mail writing to the address provided in this notice.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, on August 25, 2021.

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