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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DATE: June 15, 2021

TO: Adult Day Care Centers

FROM: Tara Ragland,
Director Division of Licensing Programs

SUBJECT: 2021 Legislative Information

The purpose of this memo is to inform you of legislation that passed in the 2021 Special Session I of the General Assembly that affects licensed Adult Day Care Centers in the Commonwealth. This legislation becomes effective July 1, 2021.

House Bill 1988

HB 1988 amends §§54.1-3408.3, 54.1-3442.5, 54.1-3442.6 and 54.1-3442.7 of the Code of Virginia as it relates to the use of cannabis oil for treatment by residents of an assisted living facility (ALF) and participants of an adult day care center (ADCC). The bill also designates patients in other caregiver facilities for certification for use of cannabis oil for treatment. Regulatory action by the Department of Social Services is not required. The information below is informative only.

An employee or contractor of an ALF or ADCC who is licensed or registered by a health regulatory board and who is authorized to possess, distribute, or administer medications may accept delivery of cannabis oil from a pharmaceutical processor or cannabis dispensing facility on behalf of a resident or participant. Such employee or contractor may assist in the administration of the cannabis oil to the resident or participant as necessary.

Please contact your licensing inspector if you have any questions.