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TO: Children's Residential Facilities

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SUBJECT: New Procedure Regarding Annual TB Testing for Staff (§ 180.B.2)

§ 180.B.2. Each individual shall annually submit the results of a Mantoux tuberculin skin test, chest x-ray or bacteriological examination, as deemed appropriate by the examining physician, documenting that the individual is free of tuberculosis in a communicable form.

Beginning immediately, facilities will be considered to be in compliance with § 180.B.2 if the individual staff person submits one of the three test results, if the examining physician deems such tests appropriate. A staff person may also comply with the above regulation if the individual submits the results of the Virginia Department of Health's tuberculosis risk assessment signed by the examining physician that he has been found free of risk for tuberculosis

I have enclosed copies of the Virginia Department of Health's Tuberculosis Risk Assessment forms. One or the other of these forms (or a form containing the same information) should be used when a staff person goes to the local health department or a private physician for his annual tuberculosis assessment. The correct form to be completed would depend on the individual's circumstances.

This change is based upon a change in guidance from the Virginia Department of Health and from advice from the Office of the Attorney General.

If you have questions please call your regulator or me at 804-692-1961.