

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### HEALTH

#### THE COMMISSIONER

#### Notice of Postponement of Certificate of Need Call for Home Health Care Services

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1 et seq. (P.L. 1971, c. 136, as amended), and pursuant to P.L. 1998, c. 43 (codified as N.J.S.A. 26:2H-7c) and N.J.A.C. 8:33, Judith M. Persichilli, RN, BSN, MA, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Health (Department), hereby publishes notice that the certificate of need call for applications for home health care services in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 8:33 and N.J.S.A. 26:2H-1 et seq., scheduled for July 1, 2019, is hereby postponed.

In accordance with Departmental procedures as set forth at N.J.A.C. 8:33-4.1(a), the Department is unable to provide sufficient advance notice to potential certificate of need applicants and interested parties to either prepare their respective certificate of need applications for home health care services or respond to such applications. The Department is in the process of gathering and evaluating data to determine whether there is currently a need for home health care services. Accordingly, it is necessary to delay the call for home health care services to allow the Department sufficient time to complete its evaluation of need, and to provide potential applicants and affected parties sufficient time to respond appropriately to a certificate of need call notice in the event the Department determines that a call is appropriate. If the Department proceeds with the call, then a call for home health care services will be published in an upcoming publication of the New Jersey Register, providing the necessary time for both potential

applicants and interested parties to respond to the call notice. In the alternative, if the determination is made to cancel the call, then the Department will publish a cancellation notice in the New Jersey Register.