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CERTIFICATE OF WAIVER for the Transfusion of Blood in Emergency Situations

Pursuant to the Provisions of the New Jersey Administrative Code, specifically, N.J.A.C. 8:8-1.7, a waiver is issued to:

All licensees granting relief from the following provisions of Chapter 8 of Title 8 of the New Jersey Administrative Code:

N.J.A.C. 8:8-2.3 Blood Bank Personnel

- (d) Donor or transfusion emergency care personnel qualifications shall be as follows:
 - 1. A physician licensed in the State or a registered nurse (R.N.) holding a current certificate of registration who has fulfilled the following requirements:
 - i. Has taken an eight-hour course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for health care providers and holds a current CPR certification.

AND

N.J.A.C. 8:8-12.2 Out-of-hospital transfusions (OOHT)

- (d) Recipient safety shall be assured by at least the following:
 - 1. If a physician is not present, the transfusionist shall be a person able to administer emergency care and shall be a registered nurse (R.N.) holding a current certificate of registration who has fulfilled the following requirements:
 - i. Has taken an eight-hour course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation within three years and successfully passed a practical and written exam on the subject matter.

This waiver is subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. If, after reasonable effort is made to secure a physician or registered nurse (R.N.) to serve as transfusion emergency care personnel or to serve as the transfusionist for out-of-hospital transfusions (OOHT), neither a physician nor an R.N. is available, a team of two New Jersey licensed paramedics may serve as the responsible individuals required by N.J.A.C. 8:8-2.3(b) and 8:8-12.2(d)2 to provide emergency care and perform the transfusion in out-of-hospital emergency situations. Each paramedic must be acting within his or her approved Scope of Practice as established by the New Jersey Department of Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services.

2. Except as waived above, the licensee shall comply with all applicable subchapters of Chapter 8 of Title 8 of N.J.A.C.

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