## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Administrative Order No. 2021-2 In-home personal care services

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, through Executive Order No. 103 (2020), the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein, the Governor declared both a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency throughout the State due to the public health hazard posed by Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, to further protect the health, safety, and welfare of New Jersey residents by, among other things, reducing the rate of community spread of COVID-19, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 107 (2020) on March 21, 2020, the facts and circumstances of which are also adopted by reference herein, which established enhanced social mitigation strategies for combatting COVID-19, including the closure of all facilities where personal care services are performed; and

WHEREAS, through Executive Order Nos. 119, 138, 151, 162, 171, 180, 186, 191, 200, 210, 215, 222, 231, 235, and 240, issued on April 7, 2020, May 6, 2020, June 4, 2020, July 2, 2020, August 1, 2020, August 27, 2020, September 25, 2020, October 24, 2020, November 22, 2020, December 21, 2020, January 19, 2021, February 17, 2021, March 17, 2021, April 15, 2021, and May 14, 2021, respectively, the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein, the Governor declared that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency continued to exist and declared that all Executive Orders and Administrative Orders adopted in whole or in part in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency remained in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 2020-10, issued April 27, 2020, prohibited licensees, owners, operators, employees, or independent contractors of personal care services facilities to provide services in their own homes, the homes of others, or in any facility or business setting, with limited exceptions; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2020, through Executive Order No. 157, the Governor permitted personal care services to be provided subject to enhanced standards adopted by the Division of Consumer Affairs (DCA); and

WHEREAS, given the decisive decreases in key statistics, such as the number of hospitalized patients in the State, the number of daily positive COVID-19 cases, spot positivity, and the rate of transmission, and the continued success of the State's vaccination program, it is reasonable to relax certain restrictions on businesses, including personal care service businesses; and

WHEREAS, DCA has issued Administrative Order No. 2021-13 on May 28, 2021, related to the provision of personal care services and which describes current COVID-19 health and safety protocols for staff and clients; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the substantial decrease in the number of new COVID-19 infections and DCA's health and safety protocols for staff and clients, it is appropriate to rescind the prohibition on personal care services as described in in Administrative Order No. 2020-10, provided that such services are performed in accordance with applicable laws or regulations, and the terms of DCA Administrative Order No. 2021-13; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has granted the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of the State Police, the discretion to make additions, amendments, clarifications, exceptions, and exclusions related to the provisions within Executive Order No. 107 (2020);

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patrick J. Callahan, State Director of Emergency Management, hereby ORDER as follows:

- 1. Paragraph 4 of Administrative Order No. 2020-10 is hereby rescinded.
- 2. This ORDER shall take effect immediately.

June 1, 2021

Colonel Patrick J. Callahan

State Director of Emergency Management