ORDER

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont (the Governor), in response to the global pandemic of 2019 Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), declared public health and civil preparedness emergencies throughout the State of Connecticut pursuant to Sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the Connecticut General Statutes, to remain in effect through September 9, 2020, unless sooner terminated by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Executive Order No. 7K, dated March 23, 2020, authorized the Commissioner of Public Health (the Commissioner) to temporarily waive, modify or suspend any regulatory requirements adopted by the Commissioner or any Boards or Commissions under Chapters 368a, 368d, 368v, 369 to 381a, inclusive, 382a, 383 to 388, inclusive, 398 to 399, inclusive, 400a, 400c and 474 of the Connecticut General Statutes as the Commissioner deems necessary to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the public health; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2020, the Governor renewed the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared on March 10, 2020 and declared new public health and civil preparedness emergencies, to remain in effect until February 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Executive Order No. 9A, dated September 8, 2020, reissued all executive orders issued pursuant to the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared on March 10, 2020 and renewed on September 1, 2020 that are unexpired and currently in effect as of September 8, 2020, to expire on November 9, 2020, unless earlier modified or terminated; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Executive Order No. 9L, dated November 9, 2020, reissued all executive orders issued pursuant to the public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared on March 10, 2020 and renewed on September 1, 2020 that are unexpired and currently in effect as of November 9, 2020, to expire on February 9, 2021, unless earlier modified or terminated; and

WHEREAS, to receive COVID-19 vaccine and ancillary supplies from the State of Connecticut, vaccination providers are required to enroll in the federal COVID-19 Vaccination Program, coordinated through the Department of Public Health’s (“DPH”) Immunization Program, by signing and agreeing to conditions in the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, one of the conditions in the Agreement is that vaccination providers report certain data elements required by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the “CDC”) for each dose of COVID-19 vaccine and adjuvant, if applicable, administered, to the relevant state, local, or territorial public health authority within twenty-four (24) hours of administering such vaccine dose and adjuvant, if applicable.
NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Executive Order No. 7K, and in response to the ongoing public health crisis arising out of COVID-19, for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergencies, unless sooner modified or terminated by me by a future Order, or the Governor’s earlier repeal or modification of Executive Order No. 7K, or termination of the public health and civil preparedness emergencies, I hereby order, effectively immediately, that:

1. **COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Reporting Requirements**: Section 19a-7h-3 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is hereby modified to require COVID-19 Vaccine Providers to: (A) Within twenty-four (24) hours of administering to any person a dose of COVID-19 vaccine and adjuvant, if applicable, record such vaccination in the vaccine recipient’s record and report to DPH the information required by the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement (the “Agreement”) to be reported; and (B) when placing a new order for COVID-19 vaccine or not later than thirty (30) days after the last report, whichever is sooner, report electronically to DPH the number of doses of COVID-19 vaccine and adjuvants that were unused, spoiled, expired, or wasted since the last date on which such provider reported this information to DPH. The information required to be reported shall be reported electronically to DPH directly via its immunization information system (“IIS”) called “CT WiZ” or indirectly through the CDC’s Vaccine Administration Management System. For purposes of this section, a “COVID-19 Vaccine Provider” is a health care organization providing COVID-19 vaccines that has enrolled in the federal COVID-19 Vaccination Program through the DPH and has signed and agreed to the conditions in the Agreement.

Ordered this 7th day of December 2020

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Acting Commissioner