TO: Nursing Homes, Residential Care Homes, Assisted Living Facilities, Managed Residential Communities, Chronic Disease Hospitals, Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

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SUBJECT: Extensions of Executive Orders Pertaining to Long Term Care

The Connecticut General Assembly has proposed legislation that will extend through April 15, 2022, certain Executive Orders signed by the Governor over the last few months, including EO 13E related to Temporary Nurse Aids, EO 14B requiring COVID-19 boosters for “covered LTC workers,” and EO 14F regarding visitation in skilled nursing facilities. In addition to extending the effective dates of these orders, the proposed legislation also extends the compliance deadline for EO 14B to March 7, 2022.

Although this legislation has not yet passed both houses of the General Assembly, DPH will suspend temporarily the enforcement of the booster mandate under EO 14B for violations occurring on or after February 11, 2022, in anticipation of an extension. Facilities subject to EO 14B do NOT need to submit compliance reports to DPH on February 14, 2022. DPH will lift the suspension based on the enacted legislation and will reissue EO 14B implementation guidance to reflect the extension.