

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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SECRETARY

# SECRETARIAL ORDER No. 5 Extension of Secretarial Order No. 3.

### **September 22, 2020**

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by Governor Cooper in Executive Order No. 165, I find that the restrictions and recommendations for certain long term care facilities as set out in Secretarial Order No. 3 need to remain in place for a short period as we assess new guidance issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).

#### **SECTION I. Extension of Restrictions on Visitation**

Secretarial Order No. 3 issued September 1, 2020 is extended until September 28,2020.

#### Section II. Distribution.

This Secretarial Order shall be: (I) distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; and (2) distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this Secretarial Order.

#### Section III. Effective Date.

This Secretarial Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until September 28, 2020, unless rescinded or replaced with a superseding Secretarial Order. An Executive Order rescinding the Declaration of the State of Emergency will automatically rescind this Secretarial Order.

Signed this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2020.

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