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Notice of Readoption

Chapter IV of the State Sanitary Code

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 8:8

Authority: N.J.S.A. 26:1A-7 and 26:2A-7; and Reorganization Plan No. 003-2005 (see 37 N.J.R. 2735(a)).

Authorized By: Christopher R. Rinn, Acting Commissioner, Department of Health (in consultation with the Public Health Council).

Effective Date: December 18, 2017.

New Expiration Date: December 18, 2024.

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the rules at N.J.A.C. 8:8 were scheduled to expire on January 19, 2018. N.J.A.C. 8:8 establishes operation standards applicable to blood banks, as well as the requirements for the collection, processing, storage, distribution, administration, and transplantation of blood, blood components, and hematopoietic stem cells.

The Department is developing a rulemaking to revise and update existing N.J.A.C. 8:8, and anticipates filing this rulemaking with the Office of Administrative Law for processing in the ordinary course. However, this rulemaking could not be proposed prior to the expiration of existing N.J.A.C. 8:8. The Commissioner has reviewed N.J.A.C. 8:8 and determined that, pending the finalization of the anticipated rulemaking described above, the existing chapter remains necessary, proper, reasonable, efficient, understandable, and responsive for the purposes for which it was originally promulgated and should be readopted. Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), N.J.A.C. 8:8 is readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.