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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION DIVISION OF LICENSING AND BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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STANDING ORDER

PART Opt 402 CONTINUING EDUCATION

Due to the worldwide COVID-19 public health pandemic affecting New Hampshire and the world, the NH Board of Optometry ("Board") issues the following standing order.

By Motion and Approval of the Board:

- The Board recognizes that the COVID-19 public health pandemic constitutes circumstances beyond a licensee's control.
- The Board hereby authorizes licensees to:
 - 1.) Obtain up to 100% of all Credit Hours of Continuing Education through virtual or alternative means in calendar year 2022 to be reported in accordance with Opt 402.03; and
 - 2.) Report and apply those credit hours in 2023 in accordance with Opt 402.03; and,
 - 3.) Submit and apply those credits earned for their 2024 renewal requirements as prescribed by Chapter Opt 400.

This Standing Order shall terminate on June 30, 2024.

Date: January 11, 2022

By Order of the Board

Guy Lessard, O.D.

Board Chair