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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS
Revisions to Chapter 511-5-8
“Screening of Public School Children for Scoliosis”

The Department of Public Health hereby adopts an amendment to Rule 511-5-8, “Screening of Public School Children for Scoliosis,” as provided in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued on October 4, 2022. This action is taken pursuant to the Department’s authority under Georgia Code Sections 31-2A-6 and 20-2-772.

In accordance with Georgia Code Section 31-5-1, the above-listed amendment will take effect on December 2, 2022.

This 2nd day of November, 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Kathleen E. Toomey, M.D., M.P.H.', is positioned above a horizontal line.

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(1) The health authority in cooperation with the school authority shall provide screening of all public school children in the at risk population, except in cases where the child has been screened during the at risk time by a physician with an active Georgia license, or a person working under the supervision of a physician with an active Georgia license, the local health department, or a licensed school nurse, or in such cases where the parent or guardian of the child has objected in writing to the screening.

(2) The annual screening process will target a minimum of two grades occupied by the at risk population, recognizing that with their earlier maturation females should be screened in early adolescence.

Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 31-2A-6, 20-2-772.