



**SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

RESCISSION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER No. COVID-19-5

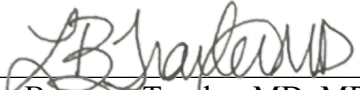
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

On October 7, 2020, I, L. Brannon Traxler, as Interim Director of Public Health, issued Public Health Order No. COVID-19-5 directing all nursing homes and community residential care facilities licensed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control to submit a weekly report stating whether they were allowing visitation, and if not, providing the reason(s) for not allowing visitation. As part of this weekly report, facilities who reported that they were allowing visitation were also ordered to report the number of residents who participated in a visit in the previous seven (7) days;

WHEREAS, Public Health Order No. COVID-19-5 stated that the Order was effective immediately and must remain in effect unless otherwise modified, amended, or rescinded by subsequent order; and

WHEREAS, I have determined that it no longer necessary to gather and monitor information regarding access to visitation for residents in nursing homes and community residential care facilities; and

ACCORDINGLY, I now RESCIND Public Health Order No. COVID-19-5 issued on October 7, 2020. This Rescission is effective immediately. All applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance not consistent with this Rescission remain in effect.



L. Brannon Traxler, MD, MPH
Director of Public Health

Date: 07/20/2021