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DIRECTOR'S JOURNAL ENTRY DEFERRAL OF HOSPITAL RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL AND RADIATION GENERATING EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

Due to the ongoing situation with the COVID-19 pandemic, the stress that is being placed on hospitals as a result thereof, and pursuant to authority granted to me in Ohio Administrative Code 3701:1-38-08, I hereby allow the Bureau of Environmental Health and Radiation Protection of the Ohio Department of Health to defer the routine radioactive material and radiation generating equipment inspections of hospitals.

I determine that there is good cause for this deferral, as this deferral is being taken for the following reasons:

- To free up hospital staff to focus on their response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- To prevent ODH personnel from being exposed to potentially infected patients.
- To prevent ODH personnel from unknowingly exposing medical professionals, patients and staff.

I have determined that granting this inspection deferral will not result in an undue hazard for the public's health and safety or have a detrimental effect on the environment. This Journal Entry shall remain in effect until I withdraw it.

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Director of Health

Date