

## **Division of Professions and Occupations** Lauren Larson Division Director

## Office of Naturopathic Doctor Registration

John W. Hickenlooper Governor Barbara J. Kelley Executive Director

## ORDER OF ADOPTION OF OFFICE OF NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR REGISTRATION PROGRAM EMERGENCY RULES

The attached emergency rules are adopted for registered Naturopathic Doctors.

The specific statutory authority that authorizes the rulemaking is § 12-37.3-104(1)(a) C.R.S.

The purpose of this emergency rulemaking is to establish rules necessary to determine what constitutes substantially equivalent qualifications for applicants seeking a Naturopathic Doctor registration.

The Director of the Colorado Office of Naturopathic Doctor Registration Program finds that immediate adoption of this rule is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare. Specifically, this rule is necessary to ensure continuity of care for patients of naturopathic doctors covered under the rule who could not otherwise practice naturopathic medicine after June 1, 2014. The Director further finds compliance with the requirements of section 24-4-103, C.R.S., applicable to non-emergency rules would be contrary to the public interest.

Therefore, I hereby adopt the rules as printed with the preceding regulatory basis, statutory authority, and purpose that, in my opinion, are fair, impartial, and non-discriminatory.

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2014.

Lauren Larson,

Director of the Division of Professions and Occupations