



October 12, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: Abortion Clinic Licensees and Other Interested Parties

From: Gwen C. Thompson

Subject: Abortion Clinics Regulation Revision

The Department is seeking individuals who would like to participate in a regulation revision workshop for Abortion Clinics. The meeting will be composed of Abortion Clinic licensees and stakeholders from throughout the state as well as Department representatives. The Department initiated the statutory process to revise Regulation 61-12, Standards for Licensing Abortion Clinics, by publication of a Notice of Drafting (NOD) in the *State Register* April 22, 2016. Subsequently, a Notice of Proposed Regulation (NPR) was published in the *State Register* September 23, 2016. The goal of this meeting is to have an open dialogue about the issues pertaining to Abortion Clinics and the revision of R.61-12. The NPR can be accessed by Document Number 4669 at: <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regnsrch.php>. The NPR includes the Department's latest amendments to R.61-12 and will be the subject of this meeting.

The meeting will be held **Thursday, October 20, 2016, at 2:00 p.m.** at the Columbia Mills Building located at 301 Gervais Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. Upon arrival, proceed to the rear of the building and enter through the glass doors under the blue awning.

If you have any further questions, please contact Thomas Bowen at (803) 898-3953.