



CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

JONATHAN A. HARRIS | COMMISSIONER

February 23, 2017

Re: Final Decisions on Board Recommendations

Dear Board Member:

Pursuant to § 21a-408-12 of the Regulations of State Agencies, I have decided to follow all of the recommendations you made at the Public Hearing on January 11, 2017, and add to the list of debilitating conditions, four of the seven conditions petitioned for by the public. I have included the limitations you placed on some of the conditions, which are described in the chart below along with your recommendations.

Submitted Condition	Changes/Limits to Condition Recommended by Board	Recommended to be Added for Adults	Recommended to be Added for Minors
Fibromyalgia	<i>Recommended as "Spasticity or Neuropathic Pain Associated with Fibromyalgia"</i>	Yes	No
Rheumatoid Arthritis	<i>Recommended as "Severe Rheumatoid Arthritis"</i>	Yes	No
Post Herpetic Neuralgia, Peripheral Neuropathy and Allodynia from Shingles	<i>Recommended as "Post-Herpetic Neuralgia"</i>	Yes	No
Muscular Dystrophy	N/A	Yes	Yes
Atopic Dermatitis, Eczema	N/A	No	No
Osteoarthritis	N/A	No	No
Severe COPD/Emphysema	N/A	No	No

We are proceeding to adopt regulations in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 21a-408m and 4-166 to 4-189, inclusive, to add the following to the list of debilitating conditions:

- Spasticity or Neuropathic Pain Associated with Fibromyalgia
- Severe Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Post-Herpetic Neuralgia
- Muscular Dystrophy

Thank you again for your time, hard work and guidance.

Sincerely,



Jonathan A. Harris
Commissioner