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Anne L. Head
Commissioner

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Dear Maine Funeral Practitioner:

Governor Mills' Executive Order #9 FY 20/21, [An Order Amending Executive Orders 55 FY 19/20 and 1 FY 20/21](#), waives continuing education requirements for license renewals for funeral practitioners through March 20, 2021.

Licensed funeral practitioners will not be required to complete the twelve (12) hours of continuing education required for renewal of their license in February 2021. Please note that funeral practitioners will only be required to complete twelve (12) hours of continuing education for their February 2023 renewal period.

Licensed funeral attendants will not be required to complete the "annual training of at least one hour in duration in the OSHA rules governing bloodborne pathogens and highly hazardous chemicals found in 29 CFR §§ 1910.1030 and 1910.119" as required by Chapter 10, Section 4(3), and Chapter 11, Section 2(2) of the Board's rules, for purposes of renewing their license in February 2021. However, OSHA still requires the annual training governing bloodborne pathogens and highly hazardous chemicals to be completed. For more information on the OSHA requirements, please review the COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions at this link. <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/covid-19-faq.html#:~:text=All%20OSHA%20standards%20remain%20in,OSHA's%20Enforcement%20Memos%20page.>

Please do not hesitate to contact the board at funeral.board@maine.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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