He-P 803.10 Waivers.

(a) Applicants or licensees seeking waivers of specific rules in He-P 803 shall submit a written request for a waiver to the commissioner that includes:

(1) The specific reference to the rule for which a waiver is being sought;
(2) A full explanation of why a waiver is necessary;
(3) A full explanation of alternatives proposed by the applicant or license holder, which shall be equally as protective of public health and residents as the rule from which a waiver is sought; and
(4) The period of time for which the waiver is sought.

(b) Waivers shall not exceed 12 months, or the current license expiration date, except as allowed by He-P 803.18(f) and He-P 803.07(j).

(c) A request for waiver shall be granted if the commissioner determines that the alternative proposed by the applicant or licensee:

(1) Meets the objective or intent of the rule;
(2) Does not have the potential to negatively impact the health or safety of the residents; and
(3) Does not negatively affect the quality of resident services.

(d) The licensee’s subsequent compliance with the alternatives approved in the waiver shall be considered equivalent to complying with the rule from which waiver was sought.

(e) Waivers shall not be transferable.

(f) When a licensee wishes to renew the waiver beyond the approved period of time, the licensee shall apply for a new waiver by submitting the information required by (a) above:

(1) When the licensee submits its application for license renewal pursuant to He-P 803.06(c); or
(2) At least 15 days prior to the expiration of the waiver if the waiver expires on a date other than the expiration date of the licensing certificate.

(g) The request to renew a waiver shall be subject to (b) through (f) above.

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