**LNHA State Regulatory Update: September 2017**

**Executive Order (JBE 17-20)**As a result of Hurricane Harvey and the declared state of emergency, Governor Edwards directed the Louisiana Department of Health to establish protocols, policies, and procedures to allow licensed nursing facilities which accept or receive evacuated residents to temporarily exceed their licensed bed capacity. The order is applicable from August 24, 2017, until amended, terminated, modified or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

If you have any questions regarding this regulatory update, submit them to LNHA’s Legal and Policy Director, [Wes Hataway](mailto:whataway@lnha.org). The full text of the September edition of the *Louisiana Register* can be found [here](http://www.doa.la.gov/osr/REG/1709/1709.pdf).