PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF
HEALTH

Health Professions Act

Ministerial Order No. M 285

I, Terry Lake, Minister of Health, order that

(a) the Nurses (Registered) and Nurse Practitioners Regulation, B.C. Reg. 284/2008, is amended as set out in
the attached Schedule 1, and

(b) the Pharmacists Regulation, B.C. Reg. 417/2008, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 2.

DEPOSITED

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Minister of Health

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: Health Professions Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 183, s. 12 (2) (c) and (d)

Other: M244/2008, M310/2008

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SCHEDULE 1

1 Section 1 of the Nurses (Registered) and Nurse Practitioners Regulation, B.C. Reg. 284/2008, is amended

(a) by adding the following definition:

“medical assistance in dying” means the following:

(a) the administration of a substance
   (i) by a nurse practitioner to a person who requests the substance, and
   (ii) that is intended to cause the death of the person who requested the substance;
(b) the prescription or provision of a substance
   (i) by a nurse practitioner to a person who requests the substance, and
   (ii) that the person who requested the substance may administer to himself or herself for the purpose of causing his or her own death; and

(b) in the definition of “nursing” by adding the following paragraph:

(c) medical assistance in dying;

2 Section 9 (1) (a) is amended by striking out “(a), (b) to (e.1), (g) or” and substituting “(a) or (b) to”:

3 The following section is added:

Limits and conditions on services

A registrant may provide the service of medical assistance in dying only

(a) if the registrant is a nurse practitioner, and
(b) in accordance with the standards, limits and conditions established by the board for the provision of the service of medical assistance in dying.

SCHEDULE 2

1 Section 1 of the Pharmacists Regulation, B.C. Reg. 417/2008, is amended by adding the following definition:

“medical assistance in dying” means the following:

(a) the administration of a substance
   (i) by a medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner to a person who requests the substance, and
   (ii) that is intended to cause the death of the person who requested the substance;
(b) the prescription or provision of a substance
   (i) by a medical practitioner or a nurse practitioner to a person who requests the substance, and
(ii) that the person who requested the substance may administer to himself or herself for the purpose of causing his or her own death;

2. Section 4.1 is amended by renumbering the section as section 4.1 (1) and by adding the following subsection:

(2) A registrant may dispense a drug for use in providing the service of medical assistance in dying only in accordance with the standards, limits and conditions established by the board for the dispensing of a drug for that use.