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From: Marybeth Casey, Assistant Commissioner *Marybeth Casey*  
Office of Curriculum & Instruction and Early Learning

Date: June 11, 2020

Re: Section 100.2(c)(11) of Commissioner's Regulations Hands Only CPR  
requirement exemption for graduating seniors due to the COVID-19 Crisis

On May 1, 2020 Governor Cuomo signed an executive order closing school building through the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. As a result of this decision, some students may have been unable to complete required instruction in Hands Only Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). At the June Board of Regents meeting, [§100.2\(c\)\(11\) of the Regulations of the Commissioner](#) were amended by Emergency Action.

The revised regulation provides that students scheduled to graduate during the 2019-2020 school year will be exempt from the requirement for the hands-only CPR and AED instruction outlined in the regulation, if such opportunity was missed due to COVID-19 closures.

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