STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF THE STATE SURGEON GENERAL

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
Implementing Executive Order 12-199
Tropical Storm Isaac August 2012

I hereby find the Department of Health’s timely performance of disaster response functions related to Tropical Storm Isaac as assigned by the State Coordinating Officer are hindered by the application of procurement procedures imposed by statute, rule or order of the Department of Health. I further find that the continuing threat of multiple sequential tropical storms and hurricanes, which the State of Florida in the past experienced during severe hurricane seasons, could significantly impact the Department of Health’s ability to respond to catastrophic destruction, injury and loss of life among Florida’s citizens and such extraordinary events hinder the ability of the Department of Health to obtain critical supplies, commodities, services, temporary premises, and other resources for the response.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted by sec. 252.46, Florida Statutes, and section 4 and 4.E. of Executive Order 12-199, I hereby waive, to the extent necessary to cope with this emergency, Chapters 120 and 287, Florida Statutes, insofar as they apply to Department of Health procurement of any and all supplies, commodities, services, temporary premises, and other resources, including budgeting, leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, and conditions of employment of and compensation of employees during with this emergency.

This Order takes effect upon filing with the Agency Clerk, Department of Health. This Order shall expire 30 days from August 25, 2012 (the date Executive Order 12-199 was signed) unless extended by the Department of Health.

Executed this ____ day of August, 20____, in Department of Health offices, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

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John H. Armstrong, MD, FACS, FCCP
Surgeon General and Secretary of Health