

PRMS SUMMARY OF STATE LICENSURE WAIVER INFORMATION

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For the sake of clarity, we have modified this list to reflect only the status of temporary licensure waivers that had been adopted by individual states during the COVID-19 pandemic. Those states whose waivers have expired may have other statutory provisions allowing for the practice of telemedicine by out-of-state physicians. **PRMS clients may contact their risk managers to determine whether such provisions exist in states where they are seeing patients.** Please note that this information is changing on a daily basis and thus this document should be used as a starting point only. We have noted that in several instances, states have declared an end to their state of emergency in advance of their originally published timeframe.

ALABAMA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **expired on July 6, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

ALASKA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency expired on **April 30, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

ARIZONA (last update 7/21/2021)

MDs licensed in another state are eligible to apply for temporary licensure in the State of Arizona using the temporary medical license application. All MD temporary emergency licenses expire after 90 days, or at the time the State of Emergency is declared to be over whichever shall occur first. Temporary licenses may be renewed. **Please note the status of this is unclear. The State of Emergency does not appear to have been completely rescinded. Additionally, forms for temporary licensure during COVID are remain available.**

Source: [Arizona Department of Health Services Administrative Order 2020-01 MD Temporary Emergency License Application for COVID-19 State of Emergency](#)

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ARKANSAS (last reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency expired on May 30, 2021. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

CALIFORNIA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

Telemedicine: A medical facility, telehealth agency or staffing agency who want to utilize medical professionals with out-of-state certifications or licenses during the COVID-19 State of Emergency must submit documentation to the EMS Authority prior to receiving approval.

Source: [Temporary License Application for Out-of-State Telehealth Providers](#)

Medical **providers with a preexisting patient(s)** who is moving to California may obtain a 30-day waiver to temporarily continue to provide care via telehealth by completing and submitting this [Authorization Form](#). **Note, this provision is tied to the public health emergency.**

COLORADO (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency ended on July 8, 2021. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

CONNECTICUT (last reviewed 7/21/2021)

Governor Lamont recently signed into law House Bill 5596 which is intended to allow for an increase in access to telehealth during the COVID-19 crisis. Until June 30, 2023, the law allows physicians and other providers from states outside of Connecticut to treat residents via telehealth without the need for a Connecticut license. **In our reading of the legislation however, it appears that this may only apply to those providers who are in-network with their patient's insurance company and is not an across the board waiver. At least one psychiatrist we know who contacted the Connecticut Board for clarification was told they were unaware of the law. Proceed with caution. We will post updates as they become available.**

Source: [House Bill 5596](#)

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DELAWARE (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The status of Delaware’s waiver for mental health providers is unclear. If you wish to treat patients currently located in the state of Delaware, please contact the appropriate Delaware licensing board for guidance.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (last update 7/21/2021)

Any healthcare provider licensed in their home state who is providing healthcare to DC residents shall be deemed a temporary agent of DC if 1) providing services to individuals at a licensed healthcare facility or 2) **has an existing relationship with patient who has returned to the District and the healthcare is providing continuity of care via telehealth.** On May 17, the Mayor extended this order for so long as District of Columbia law extends the emergency. The City Council subsequently voted to provide the Mayor with the authority to extend the emergency **until July 25, 2021.** Per the Mayor’s order of March 18, 2021, **this provision shall remain in effect for an additional 60 days beyond the expiration of the public health emergency which at this point would be September 23, 2021.**

Source: [Waiver of Licensure Requirements for Healthcare Providers Mayor's Order 3/18/2021](#)
[Mayor's Order 2021-069](#)
[DC Council](#)

FLORIDA (last reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **expired on June 26, 2021.** There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

GEORGIA (last updated 7/1/2021)

The State of Emergency **expired on July 1, 2021.** There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

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HAWAII (last reviewed 7/20/2021)

Out-of-state physicians and PAs with current and active license, or those previously licensed in the state but who are no longer current and active, may practice without a license provided they have never had their license revoked or suspended and are **hired by a state or county agency or facility, or by a hospital, including related clinics and rehabilitation hospitals, nursing homes, hospice, pharmacy, or clinical laboratory. This is set to expire on August 6, 2021**

Source: [Emergency Proclamation](#)

IDAHO (last update 7/21/2021)

Telemedicine: Until action is taken by the Governor to lift the state of emergency (**which has been extended to August 17, 2021**), out-of-state physicians and physician assistants with a license in good standing in another state will not need an Idaho license to provide telehealth to patients located in Idaho during the response to COVID-19. **Out-of-state practitioners treating Idaho patients are encouraged to notify the Board of their intent to practice in Idaho.**

Source: [Idaho State Board of Medicine FAQs COVID-19 Governor's Proclamation](#)
[Governor's Proclamation 7/18/2021](#)

ILLINOIS (last update 7/21/2021)

Telemedicine: The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation interprets Executive Order 2020-9 to permit an out-of-state health care provider not licensed in Illinois to continue to provide health care services to an Illinois patient via telehealth **where there is a previously established provider/patient relationship**. The Department deems such a provider to be “authorized to practice in the State of Illinois” pursuant to Section 5 of the Executive Order without further need to obtain licensure in Illinois. **This order has been extended through July 24, 2021.**

Source: [Guidance for Out-of-State Physicians using Telehealth in Illinois Executive Order 2021-14](#)

INDIANA (last update 7/20/2021)

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The State of Indiana has created a registry of individuals who do not hold a valid license to practice in Indiana but can be mobilized to help fight COVID-19 by issuing temporary permits to practice. **Licenses are set to expire on September 30, 2021.** Once the emergency is over, their license will expire and all existing application procedures must be followed such as taking the appropriate licensure exam and passing a criminal background check. This registry will be open to:

- Out-of-state healthcare practitioners;
- Retired healthcare professionals; and
- Recent graduates of accredited medical, registered nursing, pharmacy, physician assistant, and respiratory care programs.

These individuals who are seeking temporary licensure will be required to submit their information to the registry found above in order to temporarily practice in the State of Indiana during the current public health crisis.

Source: [COVID 19 Temporary Healthcare Provider Registry Executive Order 21-17](#)

IOWA (last update 7/1/2021)

General/Telemedicine: Although the state of emergency was extended to July 25,2021, **waivers which allowed a physician to practice medicine/telemedicine in Iowa without an Iowa medical license on a temporary basis to aid in the emergency were not extended beyond June 25, 2021.**

Source: [State of Public Health Disaster Emergency Emergency Proclamation 5-27-21](#)
[Emergency Proclamation 6/25/2021](#)

KANSAS (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency ended on June 15, 2021. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

KENTUCKY (reviewed 7/20/2021)

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The emergency system allowing physicians not already licensed in Kentucky to register to practice during the state of emergency, was **rescinded July 23, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure](#)

LOUISIANA (last update 7/21/2021)

State of Emergency Status:

Provisions for emergency temporary permit to provide **voluntary, gratuitous medical services** in state during public health emergency. Board may at its discretion issue permit to practitioner who provides services other than on a gratuitous basis. **The State of Emergency is due to expire on July 21, 2021.**

Source: [https://www.lsbme.la.gov/Governor's Proclamation 118-JBE-2021](https://www.lsbme.la.gov/Governor's-Proclamation-118-JBE-2021)

MAINE (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **expired on June 30, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Executive Order Governor's Proclamation 6/11/2021](#)

MARYLAND (last update 7/20/2021)

Telemedicine: Health care practitioners who have an active license in good standing in another state or the District of Columbia **may practice telehealth** without a Maryland license **to provide continuity of care to existing Maryland patients** during the state of emergency for the purpose of implementing social distancing. **This provision will expire on August 15, 2021.**

Source: <https://www.mbp.state.md.us/forms/FAQsExecOrder.pdf>
[End of State of Emergency FAQ](#)

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MASSACHUSETTS (reviewed 7/20/2021)

General and Telemedicine: Pursuant to COVID-19 Order No. 41, *Order Authorizing the Reopening of Child Care Programs and Rescinding Eight COVID Orders*, Emergency Temporary License Applications for Out of State Physicians were no longer accepted after July 10, 2020. **Temporary licenses that have already been granted will remain in effect until September 15, 2021.**

Source: [Information regarding physician licensure during state of emergency](#)

MICHIGAN (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **ended on October 27, 2020**. There are currently no licensure waivers in effect

MINNESOTA (last update 7/21/2021)

The peacetime emergency was allowed to **expire on July 14, 2021**. Currently there are no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Emergency Executive Order Executive Order 21-24](#)

MISSISSIPPI (reviewed 7/20/2021)

Effective October 26, 2021, licensure waivers were suspended. All temporary licenses expired on January 31, 2021

Source: [Proclamation](#)

MISSOURI (reviewed 7/20/2021)

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Telemedicine: A physician may practice in the state of Missouri via telehealth if licensed in another state and his or her the license has not be disciplined by the other state. **Waiver now in effect until end of emergency period currently set to expire August 31, 2021.**

Source: [Healing Arts COVID-19 Waivers Executive Order 21-07](#)

MONTANA (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **ended on June 30, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: <https://governor.mt.gov/EO-10-2021-Rescinding-Emergency-Order.pdf>

NEBRASKA (last update 7/20/2021)

Telemedicine: Individuals in the professions listed in Executive Order 20-10 may use telehealth to practice in Nebraska. This includes Nebraska licensees located in Nebraska, Nebraska licensees located in other states, and individuals who are actively licensed in a U.S. state or territory other than Nebraska, who are being allowed to practice in Nebraska without a Nebraska license. This Executive Order shall remain in effect until 30 days after the lifting of the COVID-19 state of emergency which occurred on June 30, 2021, meaning the **licensure waiver will expire on July 30, 2021**.

Source: [Executive Order 20-10 FAQs](#)
[Governor ends state of emergency](#)

NEVADA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

There is a waiver and exemption of professional licensing requirements for qualified providers of medical services during this declared emergency who hold a valid license in good standing in another state. Individuals seeking waiver and exemption are required to notify the applicable Nevada licensing board or agency and provide any requested information.

Source: [Declaration of Emergency Directive 011](#)
[Emergency Licensure Application MD](#)

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[Emergency Licensure Application DO](#)

NEW HAMPSHIRE (reviewed 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency ended on June 11, 2021. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Emergency Order #15](#)
[Governor's Order 2021-10](#)
[Expiration of State of Emergency](#)

NEW JERSEY (reviewed 7/20/2021)

General and Telemedicine: The Division of Consumer Affairs has modified previously announced terms of the Temporary Emergency Reciprocity Licensure Program for out-of-state licensed health care practitioners. On June 4, 2021 New Jersey stopped accepting Applications for Temporary Emergency Licenses. All licenses that have previously been issued – all of which were set to expire on June 30, 2021, will automatically be extended until September 30, 2021. **As of October 1, 2021, TERLs will cease to be valid. Individuals holding such licenses must, on or prior to October 1, 2021, cease and desist from engaging in any and all health care practice that would otherwise require a plenary (regular, full) New Jersey license. Failure to do so would violate New Jersey law, and you could be subject to civil or criminal actions for unlicensed practice in New Jersey. It could also subject you to discipline in your home state.**

If you file an application for a plenary license **on or before July 31**, you will receive a one-time extension of your TERL from September 30, 2021 until the earlier of: (1) the date on which the licensing board or committee either grants or denies your application for a New Jersey license; or (2) December 31, 2021.

Source: [Notice re: Temporary Emergency Reciprocity Licenses](#)

NEW MEXICO (last update 7/21/2021)

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The state of emergency is due to expire on July 23, 2021. **Temporary licenses issued appear to have expired on July 1, 2021.**

Source: [Executive Order 2020-004](#)
[Application for Temporary Licensure](#)
[Executive Order 2021-12](#)
[Executive Order 2021-030](#)
[NM Emergency License FAQs](#)

NEW YORK (last update 6/28/2021)

Per Governor's Order, Order 202.5, which allowed physicians licensed and in current good standing in any state in the United States to practice medicine in New York State without civil or criminal penalty related to lack of licensure, **was rescinded effective June 25, 2021** by Executive Order 210. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Governor's Order 202.5](#)
[OP NYSED COVID 19 Executive Orders](#)
[Executive Order 210](#)

NORTH CAROLINA (last update 7/20/2021)

General and Telemedicine: Out-of-state physicians may obtain a limited emergency license by submitting a short online application. There is no fee and licenses are typically issued within 48 business hours. All emergency licenses the NCMB issues in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic shall expire thirty (30) days after the State of Emergency as declared in Governor Cooper's Executive Order No. 116 has ended. **The State of Emergency is currently set to expire on July 30, 2021.**

Source: [NC Medical Board Licensure FAQs](#)
[Emergency Disaster Licensure FAQs](#)
[NC Medical Board Order re Licensure Expiration](#)
[Executive Order 220](#)

NORTH DAKOTA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

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The **public health emergency was ended on April 30, 2021** by Executive Order 2021-09 and Executive Order 2020-05.1 allowing for treatment by out-of-state providers was rescinded. **There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

Source: <https://www.governor.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/executive-orders/Executive%20Order%202021-09%20rescind%20COVID-19%20dec.pdf> (if this link does not work, please copy and paste it onto your browser)

OHIO (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency ended on **June 18, 2021**. Currently there are no COVID-related licensure waivers in Ohio.

Source: <https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/media/executive-orders/executive-order-2021-08d>

OKLAHOMA (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency ended on **May 4, 2021**. Currently there are no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Executive Order 2021-11](#)

OREGON (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency **expired on June 28, 2021**. There are no COVID-related licensure waivers currently in effect.

Source: [Executive Order 21-15](#)

PENNSYLVANIA (last update 7/20/2021)

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Telemedicine: Administration granted a temporary suspension of the requirement for out-of-state practitioners to be licensed in Pennsylvania to practice telemedicine so long as they are licensed in good standing in their home state. Out of state practitioners must provide the Pennsylvania board from whom they would normally seek licensure with the following information prior to practicing telemedicine with Pennsylvanians: 1) their full name, home or work mailing address; and 2) their license type, license number or other identifying information that is unique to that practitioner’s license, and the state or other government body that issued the license. **This Order is to remain in effect for the Pennsylvania state of emergency currently set to expire on September 30, 2021.**

Source: [Governor's Order Telemedicine Summary Governor's Proclamation 2/19/2021 DOS.PA.gov](#)

RHODE ISLAND (reviewed 7/20/2021)

Currently emergency reciprocal licensing is not available for physicians. If you are providing telehealth services to a patient who lives in Rhode Island and you wish to continue providing treatment you must apply for a full Rhode Island license or the patient must obtain treatment from a provider who holds an active Rhode Island license.

Source: <https://health.ri.gov/licenses/>

SOUTH CAROLINA (last update 6/9/2021)

During the state of emergency South Carolina will issue “emergency” medical licenses to out-of-state physicians to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The state medical board can expedite temporary licensure for out-of-state physicians, physician assistants and respiratory care practitioners within 24 hours. There is no fee for these 90-day temporary licenses. **The state of emergency expired on June 6, 2021 and was not extended. If you wish to continue treating patients located in South Carolina, please contact the appropriate licensing board for guidance.**

Source: [Executive Order 2021-20 APNews.com](#)

SOUTH DAKOTA (last update 7/21/2021)

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The State of Emergency **expired on June 30, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: https://dss.sd.gov/docs/COVID19/COVID19_FAQ_Providers.pdf
[Executive Order 2020-34](#)

TENNESSEE (last update 6/10/2021)

Commissioner of health is given discretion to allow a health care professional who is licensed in another state to practice in Tennessee if such individual is assisting in the medical response to COVID-19 including treating routine and other medical conditions. **This remained in effect until May 31, 2021 and was not extended.**

Source: [Executive Order 15](#)
[Executive Order 77](#)
[Executive Order 80](#)

TEXAS (last update 7/20/2021)

Out-of-state physicians are permitted to obtain a Texas limited emergency license or hospital-to-hospital credentialing for no more than 30 days from the date the physician is licensed or until the disaster declaration has been withdrawn or ended whichever is later.

The Texas state of emergency is currently set to expire on July 31, 2021. Physician must hold a full, unlimited and unrestricted license to practice in another U.S. state, territory, or district provided a Texas sponsoring physician must complete a limited emergency license application and the board must verify the physician's licensure.

Source: <http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing>
[Renewal of Disaster Declaration](#)
[7/1 Proclamation](#)

UTAH (reviewed 7/20/2021)

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A physician who is licensed and lawfully practicing medicine in another U.S. state or territory without restrictions or conditions may practice in Utah for the duration of the declared emergency by obtaining a DOPL Time-limited Emergency License. Time-limited Emergency Licenses expire upon the earlier of 180 days, 30 days from the end of the declared emergency, or upon 10 days' notice from DOPL. **The Utah statewide public health emergency is in effect until otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded.**

Source: [Emergency License Application Utah Code 58-1-307.](#)

VERMONT (reviewed 7/20/2021)

Telemedicine: If you are providing only telehealth to people in Vermont you do not need a license and you do not have to provide your contact information to the Office of Professional Regulation. **Valid until March 31, 2022.**

Source: [COVID 19 - Licensing and Information H960 Temporary Emergency and Deemed Licensure During COVID-19](#)

VIRGINIA (last update 7/20/2021)

The State of Emergency was allowed to **expire on June 30, 2021**. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

Source: [Virginia Board of Medicine Governor's New Release May 14, 2021](#)

WASHINGTON (reviewed 7/20/2021)

General: Out-of-state practitioners may become volunteers by registering and completing an application.

Source: [Proclamation 20-05](#)

WEST VIRGINIA (reviewed 7/20/2021)

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General and Telemedicine: The West Virginia Board of Medicine has promulgated an emergency rule to create a registration process for eligible physicians and physician assistants to practice in West Virginia during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. To be eligible to practice pursuant to this rule, the physician or physician assistant must register with the Board. This rule creates an emergency registration process for the following providers who want to provide medical care in West Virginia under special provisions during the period of the declared emergency:

1. physicians who hold unrestricted licensure in another state;
2. physician assistants who hold unrestricted licensure in another state;
3. certain inactive or expired status West Virginia physicians; and
4. certain expired status West Virginia physician assistants.

Registrants may practice medicine in West Virginia consistent with their scope of practice and the standard of care, and may practice in person or via telemedicine technologies to West Virginia patients. Registered physician assistants must practice in collaboration with physicians pursuant to a Practice Agreement or Practice Notification.

Source: [West Virginia Board of Medicine Registration for Emergency Practice MD](#)
[Emergency Temporary Permit DO](#)

WISCONSIN (reviewed 7/20/2021)

Wisconsin's State of Emergency expired on April 5, 2021; however, recently enacted legislation appears to allow telemedicine providers **who are working for a health care employer** and who have previously applied for temporary credentials to continue to treat patients through the duration of the national public health emergency and for 30 days thereafter.

Telemedicine: Per recent legislation, "a health care provider may provide services within the scope of the credential that the health care provider holds and the department shall grant the health care provider a temporary credential to practice under this section if all of the following apply:

1. The health care provider applies to the department for a temporary credential under this section within 30 days of beginning to provide health care services for a health care

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employer. The health care provider shall include in the application an attestation of all of the following:

- a. The date on which the health care provider first provided health care services in this state under this section.
- b. That the health care provider holds a valid, unexpired credential granted in another state.
- c. The health care provider is not currently under investigation and no restrictions or limitations are currently placed on the health care provider's credential by the credentialing state or any other jurisdiction.
- d. The health care provider has applied for a permanent credential granted by the department or an examining board, as applicable. **Health care providers who provides health care services only during the period covered by a national emergency declared by the U.S. president under 50 USC 1621 in response to the 2019 novel coronavirus or during the 30 days immediately after the national emergency ends are not required to apply for a permanent license.**

Source: <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021/related/acts/10>

WYOMING (reviewed 7/20/2021)

State of Emergency Status: **Active Until Rescinded**

Telemedicine: If you have an **existing physician-patient relationship** established in a face-to-face encounter in your state, and the patient is not able to travel to your state now due to the Public Health Emergency, you may continue that patient's care via telehealth, including telephone, without a Wyoming physician license. This includes following up on procedures performed in your home state, adjusting medication dosing, prescription refills, ordering diagnostic testing, etc. The telehealth technology must allow you to meet the standard of care at all times. **You may not, however, provide care that treats a new diagnosis or condition without a Wyoming physician license if you have not seen the patient for it in a face-to-face encounter in your home state.** You also may not provide care beyond such a time as the standard of care dictates that a face-to-face encounter should occur.

Source: [http://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/resources/covid-19/Emergency Licensure Application](http://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/resources/covid-19/Emergency%20Licensure%20Application)

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