

## PRMS SUMMARY OF STATE LICENSURE WAIVER INFORMATION

### PLEASE READ:

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 10/7/2021)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

### ALASKA (reviewed 10/7/2021)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

### ARIZONA (last update 10/7/2021)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

### ARKANSAS (last update 10/8/2021)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

### CALIFORNIA (last updated 11/17/2021)

**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. **This provision appears to no longer be active.**

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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** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

**CONNECTICUT** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

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. While several sources have reported that the law allows physicians and other providers from states outside of Connecticut to treat residents via telehealth without the need for a Connecticut license until June 30, 2023, in fact the new law only allows the Commissioner of Public Health to allow such a waiver if needed. This has not occurred. **There is currently no provision which would allow an out-of-state provider to practice telemedicine in Connecticut without a Connecticut license.**

Source: [House Bill 5596](#)

**DELAWARE** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

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** (reviewed 10/20/2021)

Waivers allowing for the provision of services to DC residents by out-of-state providers **expired on September 23, 2021.**

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

**FLORIDA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

**GEORGIA** (last update 10/22/2021)

Effective March 14, 2020, Georgia Composite Medical Board is authorized to grant temporary licenses to physicians who apply for a temporary medical licenses and are currently licensed as a physician in good standing by equivalent boards in other states to assist with the needs of this public health emergency. This is currently set to expire on November 27, 2021.

**Source:** [Georgia Medical Board Press Release](#)  
[Executive Order 3-21-2021](#)  
[Executive Order 09.20.21.02](#)  
[Emergency Practice Permit Application Georgia Medical Board](#)  
[Executive Order 12.21.21.01](#)

**HAWAII** (last update 10/7/2021)

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 licensed 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 November 30, 2021**

**Source:** [Governor's Proclamation](#)

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**IDAHO** (last update 10/25/2021)

**COVID-Related Physician Licensure Exemption** - Idaho Code 54-1804(1)(d) sets forth a licensure exemption for physicians during a time of disaster. The Governor's August 17, 2021 Proclamation declared a state of disaster emergency in Idaho. During this time of disaster, physicians who are licensed to practice in another state or country and in good standing can practice medicine via telehealth or in person in Idaho pursuant to Idaho Code 54-1804(1)(d).

Please note, this ability to practice in Idaho is limited to the duration of the state of disaster emergency. Once the state of disaster emergency is lifted, physicians who are not licensed in Idaho must cease practicing. To ensure continuity of patient care, please pursue licensure in Idaho or prepare a plan to transition patient care once the disaster emergency is lifted. On October 17, 2021, the state of disaster emergency was extended.

**Source:** [COVID-Related Physician Licensure Exemption Governor's Proclamation](#)

**ILLINOIS** (last update 11/17/2021)

**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 December 11, 2021.**

**Source:** [Guidance for Out-of-State Physicians using Telehealth in Illinois Executive Order 2021-30](#)

**INDIANA** (last update 11/4/2021)

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 December 1, 2021.** Once the emergency is over, their license will expire and all existing application procedures must be followed such

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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](#)  
[Executive Order 21-28](#)

**IOWA** (last update 11/17/2021)

Effective August 19, 2021, 1 physician may practice medicine/telemedicine in Iowa without an Iowa medical license on a temporary basis to aid in the emergency, if a physician holds at least one active medical license in another United State jurisdiction, and all medical licenses held by a physician in other United States jurisdictions are in good standing, without restrictions or conditions. **This provision is expected to expire on December 12, 2021.**

**Source:** [Iowa Medical Board Emergency Proclamation](#)  
[Public Health Proclamation - 2021.11.12](#)

**KANSAS** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

**KENTUCKY** (last update 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect allowing for the practice of telemedicine by out-of-state physicians.**

**Source:** <https://kbml.ky.gov/Pages/COVID-19-Information.aspx>

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**LOUISIANA** (last update 11/4/2021)

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 November 24, 2021. Per the language of 204 JB 2021, it is unclear whether emergency temporary permits will expire on that date or 90 days thereafter as indicated in previous orders**

Source: <https://www.lsbme.la.gov/>  
[Governor's Proclamation 182-JBE-2021](#)  
[Governor's Proclamation 204 JBE 2021](#)

**MAINE** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**MARYLAND** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**MASSACHUSETTS** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**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 December 31, 2021.**

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

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**MICHIGAN** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect**

**MINNESOTA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**MISSISSIPPI** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

**Source:** [Proclamation](#)

**MISSOURI** (last update 10/7/2021)

**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. The waiver was stated to be in effect until the end of the emergency period. **The Missouri state of emergency has expired; however, it appears that waivers may still be in effect as per Executive order 21-09 through December 31, 2021**

**Source:** [Executive Order 21-09](#)

**MONTANA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**NEBRASKA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

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

**NEVADA** (reviewed 11/4/2021)

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](#)  
[Emergency Licensure Application DO](#)  
<https://medboard.nv.gov/>

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**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 11/4/2021)

**General and Telemedicine:** The Division of Consumer Affairs has determined that good cause exists to extend the expiration date of all temporary emergency reciprocity licenses (TERLs) issued to physicians through January 11, 2022.

Additionally, **the Division is currently reopening the TERL program to all Group 2 health care professionals, and will accept new applications for TERL licenses from qualified out-of-state practitioners through January 11, 2022.** All new TERL licenses issued will expire on January 11, 2022, regardless of the date of issue.

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

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**NEW MEXICO** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

Source: [Executive Order 2021-030](#)  
[NM Emergency License FAQs](#)

**NEW YORK** (last update 11/4/2021)

Due to anticipated staffing shortages as a result of vaccine mandates, New York has temporarily re-instated its waivers to allow 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. **This waiver is to remain in effect until November 26, 2021.**

Source: [Executive Order 4](#)  
[Executive Order 4.1](#)

**NORTH CAROLINA** (last update 10/22/2021)

**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 January 5, 2022.**

Source: [NC Medical Board Licensure FAQs](#)  
[Emergency Disaster Licensure FAQs](#)  
[NC Medical Board Order re Licensure Expiration](#)  
[Governor's Order 225](#)  
[Executive Order 236](#)

**NORTH DAKOTA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

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**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** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**OKLAHOMA** (last update 10/7/2021)

Effective 8/25/2021 emergency rules were issued allowing for temporary critical need licenses to combat the surge in COVID cases. **It is unclear as to whether this allows for the use of telemedicine by out-of-state physicians.** Please contact the medical board for confirmation.

**Source:** [Oklahoma Medical Board Temporary Emergency Rules](#)

**OREGON** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**PENNSYLVANIA** (last update 10/1/2021)

**All temporary emergency licenses will expire on March 31, 2022.**

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

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**RHODE ISLAND** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect for physicians.**

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

**SOUTH CAROLINA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**SOUTH DAKOTA** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**TENNESSEE** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

**TEXAS** (last update 11/4/2021)

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 November 27, 2021.** Physician

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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>  
[10/28 Proclamation](#)

#### **UTAH** (reviewed 11/4/2021)

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 10/7/2021)

**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** (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.**

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

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## WASHINGTON (reviewed 10/7/2021)

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

**Source:** [Proclamation 20-05](#)

## WEST VIRGINIA (reviewed 10/7/2021)

**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 11/4/2021)

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.

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**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 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 11/4/2021)

**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>

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