

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 7/13/2022)

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

ALASKA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

ARIZONA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect for out-of-state telemedicine practice.

ARKANSAS (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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CALIFORNIA (reviewed 8/30/2022)

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](#). This waiver is not renewable. Providers must determine the date upon which they want the 30-day period to begin. **Note, this provision is tied to the public health emergency.**

Source: [COVID-19 EMS Resource Portal | EMSA \(ca.gov\)](#)

COLORADO (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

CONNECTICUT (last update 7/13/2022)

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

DELAWARE (reviewed 7/13/2022)

The status of Delaware's waiver is unclear for psychiatry. 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 8/30/2022)

Licensure waivers have officially ended; however, per the DOH Director's Declaration of August 10, 2022, there is a process for obtaining a temporary license, registration, or certificate which will be valid for no more than 90 days. There did not appear to be any information on how to submit an application so those who wish to practice in DC will want to contact the Department of Health for additional information.

Source: [Declaration of DOH Director](#)
[Temporary Licensure Requirements](#)

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FLORIDA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

GEORGIA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

Temporary licenses expired on April 15, 2022. There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect.

HAWAII (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect for out-of-state telemedicine practice.

IDAHO (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect. The Governor lifted the state of disaster emergency in Idaho on April 15, 2022. To ensure continuity of patient care, **physicians who are not licensed in Idaho had until July 1, 2022 to pursue licensure in Idaho or transition patient care to an Idaho-licensed physician.**

Source: [COVID-Related Physician Licensure Exemption](#)

ILLINOIS (last update 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Dept of Financial and Professional Regulation Secretary's Order 1/10/2022](#)
[Executive Order 2022-05](#)
[Disaster Proclamation 4-29-2022](#)
[Proclamation 5-27-2022](#)

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INDIANA (reviewed 8/30/2022)

On March 19, 2020, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order 20-05 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This Order, and its various extensions, permitted certain unlicensed healthcare workers to practice under an emergency registry.

To address Indiana's ongoing healthcare needs, Governor Holcomb recently incorporated the emergency healthcare registry into law with his signature of House Bill 1003. Under this new law, the healthcare registry is extended through the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency declared by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This declaration must be updated every 90 days, and will run at least through October 2022.

What does this mean for your emergency registration?:

- Unless otherwise notified by PLA (professional licensing agency), no action is required at this time to preserve your emergency registration. The emergency registration issued to you under Governor Holcomb's various Executive Orders is identical to the license issued under House Bill 1003.
- PLA anticipates the emergency registry will remain valid until at least **October 13, 2022**.
- PLA anticipates that it will provide approximately 60 days' notice before the expiration of the emergency registry.

Once the emergency is over, licenses 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.

Source: [COVID 19 Temporary Healthcare Provider Registry](#)

IOWA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Iowa Board of Medicine](#)

KANSAS (reviewed 7/12/2022)

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Waivers have been reinstated via the Governor's order of January 6, 2022 which provides that until further notice, any and all provisions in Kansas law are temporarily suspended to the extent necessary to allow health care professionals licensed and in good standing in any state or territory in the U.S. to practice without criminal, civil, or administrative penalty related to lack of licensure.

It is somewhat confusing; however, as Kansas has a form to complete for an out-of-state waiver but also recommends that you obtain a free temporary license. Temporary licenses will expire in 90 days if not renewed and all temporary licenses will automatically cancel on January 20, 2023. **Both the waiver and the temporary license limit providers to engaging in the practice of their profession for healthcare services relating to COVID-19 response efforts and/or mitigating any effect of COVID-19.**

Source: [Executive Order 22-01](http://www.ksbha.org/covid.shtml)
<http://www.ksbha.org/covid.shtml>

KENTUCKY (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

LOUISIANA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect. The State of Emergency expired on March 16, 2022. Temporary permits expired 90 days thereafter.

Source: [https://www.lsbme.la.gov/Governor's Proclamation 18 JBE 2022](https://www.lsbme.la.gov/Governor's%20Proclamation%2018%20JBE%202022)

MAINE (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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MARYLAND (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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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 8/30/2022)

Emergency Temporary License Application for Out-of-State Physicians Pursuant to 2020 Executive Order - Expiration Date Extended to December 31, 2022

With the Governor declaring a State of Emergency, the Board of Registration in Medicine established an Emergency Temporary License Application for out-of-state physicians to assist in meeting the increased demand for physician services in Massachusetts. To qualify for an Emergency Temporary License a physician was required to hold an active full, unlimited and unrestricted medical license in good standing in another U.S. state/territory/district. "Good standing" shall not include a license that has been revoked, cancelled, surrendered, suspended, or is subject to disciplinary restrictions.

On June 16, 2022, the Board amended Policy [2020-05](#) to include the following:

1. The Emergency Temporary License is valid until **December 31, 2022**
2. Physicians who have been issued an Emergency Temporary License and who have submitted a Full License application with the Board on or before December 31, 2022, will have their Emergency Temporary License remain active until the Full License application is adjudicated.

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

MICHIGAN (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect

MINNESOTA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Emergency Executive Order](#)

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[Executive Order 21-24](#)

MISSISSIPPI (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Proclamation](#)

MISSOURI (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

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

MONTANA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

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

NEBRASKA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

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

NEVADA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

There are currently no COVID-related licensure waivers in effect. As of May 20, 2022 the Declaration of Emergency for COVID-19 was terminated by the governor. Anyone wishing to practice medicine in Nevada must have a Nevada license. The unlicensed practice of

medicine, respiratory care, or perfusion is criminal conduct under Nevada law.

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Source: <https://medboard.nv.gov/>

NEW HAMPSHIRE (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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 8/30/2022)

On July 15, 2022, the Division of Consumer Affairs issued notice that it will be discontinuing the Temporary Emergency Reciprocity Licensure Program on August 1, 2022, for all classes of Group 2 health care practitioners (which includes physicians), with the sole exception of respiratory care therapists. All practitioners holding a TERL on August 1, 2022 will remain eligible to continue practicing under the TERL through August 31, 2022. **Any continued practice on or after September 1, 2022 by any TERL holder who has not filed an application for plenary licensure will constitute the unlicensed practice of your profession in the State of New Jersey and may result in civil or criminal penalties.**

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

NEW MEXICO (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

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

NEW YORK (last update 8/30/2022)

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

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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 September 27, 2022.**

Source: [Executive Order 4](#)
[Executive Order 4.12](#)

NORTH CAROLINA (reviewed 8/30/2022)

Per the Board of Medicine, all limited emergency licenses issued in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic were to have expired on April 18, 2022. However, per the North Carolina Medical Board website under [COVID-19 Telemedicine FAQs](#) “In North Carolina, patients who are currently in the state but have an established relationship with a physician or PA in another state may receive care, including prescriptions, from the out-of-state clinician via telemedicine.” We advise that you contact the Board directly if you wish to treat North Carolina patients.

Source: [Temporary Licensure Dissolution Order 3-18-2022](#)

NORTH DAKOTA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Executive Order 2021-09](#)

OHIO (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Executive Order 2021 O8D](#)
[Telemedicine FAQs](#)

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OKLAHOMA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

Effective 8/25/2021 emergency rules were issued allowing for temporary critical need licenses to combat the surge in COVID cases. **This does not appear to allow 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 7/13/2022)

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

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

PENNSYLVANIA (reviewed 8/30/2022)

All temporary emergency licenses will expire on October 31, 2022.

Source: [Governor's Order Telemedicine Summary](#)
<https://www.dos.pa.gov/Pages/COVID-19-Waivers.aspx>

RHODE ISLAND (last update 8/30/2022)

There are no formal COVID-related licensure waivers in effect for physicians. However, the Board of Medicine has noted that many residents typically cross borders to seek healthcare and to that end has made the following statement: “the Board wishes to make clear that it encourages all physicians to use telemedicine to deliver care to their patients and that the Board will not take action against physicians not licensed to practice in Rhode Island who, during the state of emergency, use telemedicine to deliver care to their established Rhode Island patients. **The state of emergency is currently set to expire on September 2, 2022.**

Source: [Rhode Island Department of Health Guidance](#)
[Executive Order 22-26](#)
[Executive Order 22-31](#)

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SOUTH CAROLINA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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SOUTH DAKOTA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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 (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

TEXAS (last update 8/30/2022)

Out-of-state physicians are permitted to obtain a Texas limited emergency license. Physicians 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. **Emergency permits will remain in effect or 30 days after the termination of the disaster declaration. The Texas state of emergency is currently set to expire on September 19, 2022.**

Source: [Texas Medical Board \(state.tx.us\)](https://www.state.tx.us/medicalboard)
[August 2022 Proclamation](#)

UTAH (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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VERMONT (last update 8/31/2022)

Beginning April 1, 2022, you must be registered with the Board of Medical Practice to practice telehealth with a Vermont patient if you do not hold a Vermont license. The registration will be valid until June 30, 2023.

Source: [Vermont Board of Medicine](#)
[Instructions for Temporary Telehealth Registration](#)

VIRGINIA (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

WASHINGTON (reviewed 7/13/2022)

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

Source: [Proclamation 20-05](#)

WEST VIRGINIA (reviewed 8/30/2022)

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

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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](#)
[Emergency Temporary Permit DO](#)

WISCONSIN (reviewed 8/30/2022)

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 provide 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://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/NewsMedia/COVIDInformation.aspx>
<https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021/related/acts/10>

WYOMING (last update 7/13/2022)

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