



Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

Division of Professional Regulation

FAQ: Reinstatement of Illinois Health Care License – COVID-19

What professions can apply for this reinstatement? Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Nurse, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Physician Assistant and Respiratory Care Practitioner.

What are the requirements for this reinstatement? If your license was in good standing and in active status with the Department on **January 1, 2016**, you are required to complete the one page [Reinstatement of Illinois Health Care License](#) application, sign and email to fpr.lmu@illinois.gov.

What if my license expired prior to January 1, 2016? You are not eligible for reinstatement under this expedited process. You can still request to have your license reinstated by using the regular process. Please email fpr.lmu@illinois.gov and request a reinstatement application.

Is there a fee for this reinstatement? No, there is no fee (\$0) for the temporary reinstatement related to the COVID-19.

Is CE required for this reinstatement? No CE is required for the temporary reinstatement related to the COVID-19.

How long will my license remain active? The temporary reinstatement of your license will expire on September 30, 2020. If you wish to have your license reinstated permanently, please email fpr.lmu@illinois.gov and request a reinstatement application.

How do I check the status of my application? You will receive an email once your application has been reviewed. Please allow at least a week for processing. If you have not received an email after two weeks, please call 1-888-473-4858 for an update.

I don't have access to a computer, how can I submit my application? If you do not have a computer, you can contact the Division Call Center at 1-888-473-4858 and request an application be mailed to you. However, this will result in a significant delay in the processing of your application.

Are there any restrictions on where I can practice if my license is reinstated under this process? Licenses reinstated under this Variance shall only provide treatment in response to the COVID-19 outbreak (1) in a state licensed long-term care facility, state regulated hospital, or federally qualified health centers (FQHC), or (2) in another practice setting under the direction of IEMA and IDPH pursuant to a declared disaster.

After my license has been reinstated, how do I find ways to help? If you wish to volunteer as a healthcare professional, please register at illinoishelps.net. You can also find other helpful information for healthcare professionals looking to volunteer during this epidemic. If you would like to seek employment or work for compensation you can reach out directly to a state licensed long-term care facility, state regulated hospital, or federally qualified health centers (FQHC) to see if they have employment opportunities and if you meet their requirements. Individual employers have discretion to determine hiring requirements.

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