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GUIDANCE FOR MEDICAL RESIDENTS AND MEDICAL STUDENTS

On March 9, 2020, Governor JB Pritzker declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area in response to the outbreak of COVID-19, and again on April 1, 2020, declared all counties as a disaster area in response to the exponential spread of COVID-19.

The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (“Department”), Division of Professional Regulation (the “Division”) is issuing the following guidance for medical residents and medical students and practice under the Illinois Medical Practice Act, 225 ILCS 60, and its accompanying regulations.

Temporary Medical License for Medical Residents

The Department is working to expedite temporary medical licenses for medical residents, if all the requirements of the Medical Practice Act and 68 Ill. Admin. Code 1285 are met.

Medical residents may submit applications for Temporary Medical Licenses through the Department’s [Online Services Portal](#).

The Graduate Medical Office (GME) of medical schools may have paper applications for Temporary Medical Licenses.

Certification of Graduation for Medical Schools located in the US: The temporary license applicant’s medical school may complete the [Certification of Graduation: ED-MED form](#) to certify graduation of the applicant up to 45-days prior to an applicant’s date of graduation. Either the applicant or the applicant’s medical school may submit to the Department the ED-MED form.

The ED-MED verifies the dates that the temporary license applicant: 1) will complete all requirements for the degree, and 2) will graduate. The applicant’s medical school must also provide the Department with an in-process transcript that certifies all coursework that the applicant has completed to date but does not indicate degree.

Additional information and forms are available on the physician page on the Department's website at: <https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Physicians.asp>

Guidance for Medical Students

Students enrolled in or recent graduates of a medical college that is accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation of the American Osteopathic Association or its successor, may practice under certain circumstances. First, the medical student must practice under the direct, on-premises, supervision of a physician. Second, the supervising physician must be licensed to practice medicine in all its branches in Illinois and must be a faculty member of an accredited medical or osteopathic college. 225 ILCS 60/13.