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VARIANCE

Pursuant to the Executive Order 2020-09 and pursuant to the authority granted to me by 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1285.140, I hereby grant a Variance to the provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1285.130(a) and (b), which requires Physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches to pay all lapsed renewal fees, submit a completed physician profile, and to show compliance with continuing education requirements. This Variance is specifically granted on behalf of Physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches who have Illinois physician licenses to practice medicine in all of its branches in “Expired” or “Inactive” for less than three years.

This variance is granted based upon the particular facts surrounding the Illinois Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations issued on March 9, 2020, April 1, 2020, April 30, 2020, May 29, 2020, June 26, 2020, July 24, 2020, August 21, 2020, September 18, 2020, October 16, 2020, and again on November 13, 2020.

The purpose of this Variance is to allow Physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches have Illinois physician licenses to practice medicine in all of its branches in “Expired” or “Inactive” status for less than three years to restore their Illinois physician licenses to practice medicine in all of its branches by exempting them from the following three requirements: paying the required fee, submitting a completed physician profile, and completing the necessary continuing education requirements due to the current COVID- 19 pandemic and the need for an increased number of healthcare professionals. In order to restore a license under this Variance, the license shall not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise encumbered. Licensees restored under this Variance shall only provide treatment in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Any license restored under Executive Order 2020-09 and this Variance shall be valid until May 31, 2021.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned Rule, this Variance is in no way intended to waive or modify any statute, rule or regulation concerning the licensure of or practice of Physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches. Physicians licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches who have Illinois physician licenses to practice medicine in all of its branches in “Expired” or “Inactive” status for less than three years shall be required to meet the remaining requirements for restoration contained in the Medical Practice Act and Administrative Rules before restoring their license to active status.

I have determined that the provision from which this Variance is granted is not statutorily mandated; no party will be injured by the granting of this Variance; and the rules from which this Variance is granted would, in this particular case, be unreasonable.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
of the State of Illinois, Deborah Hagan, SECRETARY, by


Cecilia Abundis, Acting Director
Division of Professional Regulation

December 3, 2020
Date