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IDFPR Marks Major Milestone in Its CORE Rollout, Adding Two Nursing Licenses

CHICAGO – In its ongoing effort to strengthen the state's health care workforce, the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) today announced the addition of two new license types onto its modernized licensing platform, CORE (Comprehensive Online Regulatory Environment). This update marks the completion of **Phase 3.4** in the system's implementation.

The latest added license types expand the range of health care professionals who can apply and renew their credentials through CORE. Importantly, the update represents the first step of integrating nursing professions into the platform, one of Illinois's largest professional groups and a vital part of the state's public health infrastructure.

"Providing a faster, more efficient pathway for nursing professionals to enter or renew their credentials directly supports our ongoing efforts to maintain a strong and reliable health care workforce capable of meeting the needs of residents," said **IDFPR Secretary Mario Treto, Jr.** "Modernizing the licensing process reduces administrative barriers and helps more of these qualified professionals to enter the field."

Individuals whose professions [are now available on CORE](#) should utilize [IDFPR's new licensing system to apply for licensure](#). The additional license types launched on CORE today are:

Licensed Practical Nurse	Temporary Licensed Practical Nurse
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To date, 131 new applications for licensure are now being accepted on CORE. All application methods (including renewals, reinstatements, and restorations) – along with additional license types – will be added to CORE during the following phases:

Phase 1	Three pilot professions added to test system functionality. New applications only for clinical psychologists, nail technicians, and music therapists. • Phase 1 was completed October 30, 2024.
Phase 1.1	Four additional license types added to CORE. • Phase 1.1 was completed on January 21, 2025.
Phase 2	Add all remaining Division of Professional Regulation (DPR) professions with manual or paper processes, with a priority on healthcare professions. This phase will be for new applications only. • Phase 2.1 was completed on June 10, 2025. • Phase 2.2 was completed on June 25, 2025.

Phase 3	Full regulatory transition for DPR (which includes ALL application types, enforcement integration, and data migration of legacy licenses). • <u><i>Phase 3.1 was completed on February 3, 2026.</i></u> • <u><i>Phase 3.2 was completed on February 10, 2026</i></u> • <u><i>Phase 3.3 was completed on March 4, 2026</i></u> • <u><i>Phase 3.4 was completed on May 13, 2026</i></u>
Phase 4	Full regulatory transition for the Division of Real Estate.
Phase 5	Full regulatory transition for the Division of Banking.
Phase 6	Full regulatory transition for the Division of Financial Institutions.

With the completion of Phase 3.4, IDFPR will continue to provide updates throughout CORE's implementation as additional nursing license types and other regulated professions come online. For more information on CORE and other IDFPR improvements and success, please visit THE HUB: <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/thehub>.