



## Extension of Licenses Due to Expire – COVID-19 Declared Emergency Communication March 31, 2020

**Coronavirus Omnibus Legislation (HB197) was signed by Governor DeWine on March 27, 2020.** The law authorizes the following:

- Licenses<sup>1</sup> expiring during the period of the emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D on March 9, 2020 will remain valid until the earlier of either 90-days after the date the emergency ends or December 1, 2020 unless revoked, suspended, or otherwise subject to discipline or limitations.
- If a person is required by law to take an action to maintain the validity of a license during the period of the emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D on March 9, 2020, the person must take that action not later than the sooner of either 90-days after the date the emergency ends or December 1, 2020.

**Attention LPNs:** LPN renewal is scheduled to begin July 1, 2020, and LPN licenses do not lapse until October 31, 2020. LPNs will have the opportunity to renew, however, those licenses that are not renewed, if the declared emergency continues, will not expire/lapse. If the declared emergency ends prior to December 1, 2020, the licenses will expire 90-days after the date the emergency ends and those licensed must, as applicable, take the actions required to maintain the license so it is current and valid.

**Attention DTIs, Medication Aides, and RN/LPN temporary permit holders:** The Board is extending the licenses that expire between March 9, 2020 to December 1, 2020. If the declared emergency ends prior to December 1, 2020, the licenses will expire 90-days after the date the emergency ends and those licensed must, as applicable, take the actions required to maintain the license so it is current and valid.

To check the expiration date of your license, go to [www.nursing.ohio.gov](http://www.nursing.ohio.gov) and click on

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