

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BY HIS EXCELLENCY CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR

Emergency Order # 46 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04 as Extended by Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-08

Further expanding access to medical providers

Pursuant to Section 18 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08 and 2020-09, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

- 1. Upon request, the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC) shall reactivate the license of any medical provider previously licensed in New Hampshire in the last three years whose license is no longer active subject to the following:
 - a. The medical provider submits his or her request on a form adopted by the Executive Director of OPLC for such purpose.
 - b. The medical provider's license was in good standing prior to being placed in inactive or lapsed status.
 - c. Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a medical provider shall not be required to complete continuing education as a condition precedent to reactivating their license pursuant to this Section.
 - d. Such license shall be on a temporary basis and limited to the duration of the State of Emergency. Upon the termination of the State of Emergency, all application procedures for reinstatement or reactivation will be reinstituted and must be followed.
- 2. Upon request, the OPLC shall issue an emergency license to any medical provider previously licensed to practice in another jurisdiction within the last three years whose license is no longer active subject to the following:
 - a. The medical provider's license was in good standing in another United States jurisdiction prior to being placed in inactive or lapsed status.
 - b. The medical provider submits his or her request on a form adopted by the Executive Director of OPLC for such purpose. The medical provider shall present evidence to the OPLC he or she was licensed and in good standing immediately prior to the change in licensure status.
 - c. Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a medical provider shall not be required to complete continuing education as a condition precedent to receiving a license pursuant to this Section.

- d. Such license shall be on a temporary basis and limited to the duration of the State of Emergency. Upon the termination of the State of Emergency, all application procedures for reinstatement or reactivation will be reinstituted and must be followed.
- e. All medical providers licensed pursuant to this section shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the appropriate state licensing body while providing services within New Hampshire.
- 3. For purposes of this emergency order, good standing shall have the same meaning as that in Section 3 of Emergency Order #15, specifically that it shall include medical providers who were subject to nondisciplinary conditions, but shall not include medical providers whose licenses were revoked, cancelled, surrendered, suspended, denied, or subject to disciplinary restrictions.
- 4. Upon request, the OPLC shall issue an emergency license to any fellow enrolled in a New Hampshire program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) to practice within his or her core specialty, subject to the following:
 - a. The fellow must be American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) board-eligible or –certified in the core specialty.
 - b. The fellow is appointed to the medical staff at the Sponsoring Institution and must practice consistent with the policies and procedures of the Sponsoring Institution and its participating sites.
 - c. The time spent in core specialty service is limited to 20 percent of the fellow's annual education time in any academic year.
 - d. The fellow seeking to practice under this Section presents to the OPLC appropriate evidence that the required qualifications have been met and his or her scope of practice will be limited in accordance with this Section.
 - e. Any license issued pursuant to this Section shall be temporary limited to the duration of the State of Emergency.
- 5. For purposes of this Order as well as Emergency Order #8 and #15, "medical provider" shall include all professionals regulated within the Division of Health Professions of the OPLC.
- 6. The New Hampshire Office of Professional Licensure and Certification shall, as necessary, provide assistance and guidance in furtherance of this Order.
- 7. This Order shall remain in effect until the State of Emergency is terminated, or this Order is rescinded, whichever shall happen first.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 21st day of May, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and twenty, and the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and forty-four.

GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE