

Temporary Emergency Licensure for Physicians During the COVID-19 State of Emergency

The Arizona Medical Board (AMB) announces the following available temporary emergency licenses for Physicians (MDs) to practice in Arizona and the extension of the time frame for renewal of MD licenses during the COVID-19 State of Emergency:

- MDs licensed in another state are eligible to apply for temporary licensure in the State of Arizona using the <u>emergency</u> <u>temporary licensure application.</u>
- MDs with inactive Arizona licenses are eligible for temporary reactivation if they have been on an inactive status for less than 4 years.

The AMB will convert an inactive license to a temporary active license using the temporary emergency license application if:

- 1. The physician has been on an inactive status for 4 years or less.
- 2. The physician submits an attestation that they have the physical and mental capability to safely practice medicine.

Retired MD COVID-19 Eligiblity

Retired MDs who **no longer hold any state license** are eligible for the Board's temporary emergency license, if the physician has been out of practice for four years or less.

Retired MDs with no state license shall provide to the Board:

- 1. Their last date of practice, and date of license inactivation or expiration, and
- 2. An attestation that they have the physical and mental capability to safely practice medicine.

Medical School Graduates

Medical school graduates of an approved school of medicine who have completed twelve months of post-graduate training within the last 6 months, or during the State of Emergency are eligible for a temporary emergency license.

AMB Extending Renewal Period

The AMB is extending the time-frame to renew medical licenses having expiration dates **between March 1**, 2020 and **September 1**, 2020 by six months from the expiration date.

Fees and Fingerprinting

For ALL temporary emergency medical license applications, there is no application fee and no fingerprint requirement.

All MD temporary emergency licenses expire after 90 days, or at the time the State of Emergency is declared to be over whichever shall occur first.

A renewal process may be established if the State of Emergency continues beyond 90 days.