



**COVID-19 licensure exceptions and electronic practice
in response to the COVID-19 public health pandemic**

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Overview

Arizona

- Per Arizona statute, non-state residents licensed in another state can practice in Arizona for up to 90 days.

Colorado

- Per Colorado statute, non-state residents licensed in another state can practice in Colorado for up to 20 days. Executive order suspends this time limit.

Connecticut

- A temporary permit is created to permit practice by health care professionals licensed in another state and waives all application fees.

Delaware

- Legislation incorporates executive and agency actions pertaining to telemedicine and practice by out-of-state licensed health care providers offering services to Delaware resident. Makes corresponding changes to applicable sections of the Delaware Code to support referenced actions.
- All Title 24 statutory requirements that patients present in-person before telemedicine services may be provided to residents of Delaware are suspended. Any out of state health care provider holding an active license in another jurisdiction who would be permitted to provide telemedicine services in Delaware under Title 24 may provide telemedicine services to a Delaware resident.
- Out of state health care providers with an active license or certification in good standing in any United States jurisdiction are authorized to provide in-person and telemedicine health services in Delaware.
- Requirements for the provision of telemedicine and telehealth under Title 24 of the Delaware Code that require both audio and visual technology are suspended; the use of non-smart phones or landline connections is permitted.

District of Columbia

- Executive Order waives licensure requirements for practitioners with an active license in another state.
- It also explicitly permits telehealth; prior to COVID-19 telehealth was not addressed in social work policies or regulations.

Florida

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state professionals with a valid license to practice telehealth with clients in the state.

Idaho

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state if they had a professional relationship prior to the declared emergency.

Indiana

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state professionals with a valid license to offer services in the state.
- It also permits mental health professionals to practice via telemedicine.

Iowa

- Executive Order permits out-of-state social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state.

Kansas

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice in the state.
- Board guidance statement indicates a temporary permit is required for out-of-state social workers to provide telehealth to clients in Kansas.

Kentucky

- Board action authorizes an emergency temporary permit for out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state if they had a professional relationship prior to 3/7/2020.

Maine

- Executive Order authorizes a temporary license for out-of-state licensed social workers.
- It also permits telehealth for clients in state and outside the state of Maine; prior to COVID-19 telehealth was not addressed in social work policies or regulations.

Maryland

- Guidance statement authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to provide services to clients in the state, including teletherapy, for no more than 6 months.
- An endorsement application must be pending before the Board. Fees are waived and endorsement applications are expedited.

Massachusetts

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients enrolled in a Massachusetts school for the 2019-2020 academic year.

Minnesota

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state.
- Registration required.

Mississippi

- Board Proclamation permits out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state.
- Completion of an Emergency Provisional Permit is required.

Montana

- Guidance statement permits out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state.
- Registration is required.

Nebraska

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice in the state, to include teletherapy.

Nevada

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice in the state.
- Teletherapy is not explicitly addressed, however, social work regulations define telehealth and practice by electronic, telephonic, or other means, and indicate such practice, regardless of the location of the social worker, constitutes social work practice.

New Hampshire

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice in the state, to include teletherapy.
- Presentation of an active license required.

New Jersey

- Board guidance statement clarifies teletherapy guidelines.
- A temporary emergency license is required for out-of-state licensed social workers which is essentially a registration process.

New York

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice in the state without civil or criminal penalty related to lack of licensure.
- A Practice Alert defines telepractice and indicates such constitutes social work practice.

North Carolina

- Executive Order permits out-of-state licensed social workers to provide services to clients in the state, to include telehealth.
- Notice to the licensing board required.

Oregon

- Guidance statement clarifies there are no restrictions on the provision of teletherapy.
- A temporary emergency license is required for out-of-state licensed social workers which is essentially a registration process.

Pennsylvania

- Guidance statement permits out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in state.
- Registration is required.

South Carolina

- Board guidance statement clarifies statutory exception for out of state licensed social workers to practice in the state.
- Social work regulations indicate electronic practice constitutes social work practice.

Vermont

- Guidance statement permits out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state.

Virginia

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state if they had a professional relationship prior to the declared emergency.

Wyoming

- Executive Order authorizes out-of-state licensed social workers to practice telehealth with clients in the state if they had a professional relationship prior to the declared emergency.

Authorizing provisions for the practice of telehealth by social workers licensed by another U.S. jurisdiction

Arizona

Telepractice information <http://www.azbbhe.us/node/847>

Arizona Revised Statutes Article 3 Licensure

32-3271. Exceptions to licensure; jurisdiction

2. A person who is not a resident of this state if the person:

- (a) Performs behavioral health services in this state for not more than ninety days in any one calendar year as prescribed by board rule.
- (b) Is authorized to perform these services pursuant to the laws of the state or country in which the person resides or pursuant to the laws of a federally recognized tribe.
- (c) Informs the client of the limited nature of these services and that the person is not licensed in this state.

Colorado

Colorado Executive Order D 2020 020

F. Temporarily suspends the requirement in C.R.S. § 12-245-217(2)(e)(II) that a person residing in and licensed or certified in another state as a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical social worker, professional counselor, or addiction counselor does not exceed twenty (20) days per year of performing activities or services in Colorado.

H. Directs the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies' (DORA) Division of Insurance (DOI) to promulgate and issue emergency rules requiring health insurance carriers regulated by the State to permit providers to deliver clinically appropriate, medically necessary covered services using telehealth services. Also, direct DOI to promulgate and issue emergency rules aimed at expanding the use of telehealth services, including by broadening the definition of "telehealth," during the COVID-19 outbreak in the State.

Executive Order D 2020 082

Extends EXECUTIVE ORDER D 2020 020 ordering temporary suspension of certain statutes to extend the use of telehealth services for an additional (30) days as of May 29, 2020.

Colorado Revised Statutes

12-43-407 Exemptions

(9) The provisions of this article shall not apply to a person who resides in another state and who is currently licensed or certified as a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical social worker, professional counselor, or addiction counselor in that state to the extent that the licensed or certified person performs activities or services in this state, if the activities and services are:

- (a) Performed within the scope of the person's license or certification;
- (b) Do not exceed twenty days per year in this state;
- (c) Are not otherwise in violation of this article; and
- (d) Disclosed to the public that the person is not licensed or certified in this state.

Connecticut

Connecticut Executive Order 7K

Temporary Permits for Certain Health Care Providers Extended and Fees Waived. Sections 20-65k, 20-12b(b), 20-74d, 20-162o(c) and 20-195t of the Connecticut General Statutes are modified to waive any application fees for temporary permits and to extend the duration of the temporary permits for the health care professions governed thereunder (Athletic Trainer, Respiratory Care Practitioner, Physician Assistant, Occupational, Therapist/Assistants, Master Social Worker), for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, unless earlier modified or terminated. The Commissioner may issue any implementing order she deems necessary to effectuate this order.

Delaware

Delaware House Bill 348

Enacted July 17, 2020

<https://legis.delaware.gov/json/BillDetail/GenerateHtmlDocumentEngrossment?engrossmentId=24131&docTypeld=6>

(2) On March 18, 2020 Governor John C. Carney issued the Second Modification of the March 12, 2020 Declaration of a State of Emergency due to a Public Health Threat which, among other things, suspended all Title 24 statutory requirements that patients present in-person before telemedicine services may be provided so long as the patient is a Delaware resident and directed that any out of state health care provider holding an active license in another jurisdiction who would be permitted to provide telemedicine services in Delaware if licensed under Title 24 may provide telemedicine services to a Delaware resident. The March 18, 2020 Second Modification also suspended the Delaware Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline Regulation 19 regarding the use of telemedicine.

(3) On March 24, 2020 a Joint Order of the Department of Health and Social Services and the Delaware Emergency Management Agency was issued which authorized in Paragraph 1: "Out of state health care providers, including physicians, pharmacists, respiratory therapists, physician assistants, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, practical nurses, advanced practice registered nurses, and nursing assistants with an active license or certification in good standing in any United States jurisdiction" to provide healthcare services in Delaware." In Paragraph 2, the Joint Order authorized "[a]ll out of state mental health providers with an active license in good standing in any United States jurisdiction, including psychologists, mental health counselors, clinical social workers, chemical dependency counselors and marriage and family therapists" to provide in-person and telemedicine health services in Delaware.

(5) On April 6, 2020 Governor John C. Carney issued the Tenth Modification of the March 12, 2020 Declaration of a State of Emergency due to a Public Health Threat which stated: "6. INSURANCE: Pursuant to the authority provided in 20 Del. C. §3116(a)(2), requirements for the provision of telemedicine and telehealth under Title 24 of the Delaware Code that require both audio and visual technology are suspended, which will allow the use of non-smart phone or landline connections."

(6) The interest of Delawareans will be served by ensuring that the provisions in the Declaration of the State of Emergency, as modified, pertaining to authorizing telemedicine without a pre-existing provider-patient relationship and through the use of land-lines and other technology which does not have a video component, as well as permitting out-of-state mental health practitioners to practice in Delaware subject to Division of

Professional Regulation oversight are maintained to facilitate the delivery of health care services during and in the aftermath of the serious public health threat occasioned by COVID-19.

Section 16. This act expires on July 1, 2021.

District of Columbia

District of Columbia Board of Social Work Covid-19 Guidance Statements

<https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/161602>

Order of the Mayor waives licensure requirements for health care providers

https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/page_content/attachments/Order%20-%20Licensure%20Waivers.20.03.13.pdf

DC HRLA Guidance on Telehealth

Prior to Covid-19 DC did not have policy or regulations for telehealth

https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/page_content/attachments/Memo%20-%20Guidance%20on%20the%20Use%20of%20Telehealth.pdf

District of Columbia Official Code Subchapter V Licensing of Health Professionals

Section 3-1205.02. Exemptions

The provisions of this chapter prohibiting the practice of a health occupation without a license shall not apply:

(1) To an individual who administers treatment or provides advice in any case of emergency;

Code of the District of Columbia

§ 3-1205.08a. Temporary license, registration, or certification.

A board may issue a temporary license, registration, or certification to an applicant for a fixed period of time, under conditions prescribed by the Mayor through rulemaking, who is licensed, registered, or certified and in good standing to practice in another jurisdiction.

§ 3-1203.02. Responsibilities of Mayor.

(12) Issuing rules, as the Mayor may periodically determine to be necessary to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the District, for the temporary licensure for a fixed period of time not to exceed 90 days and under conditions to be prescribed by the Mayor by rule, of applicants for licensure to practice a health occupation in the District, except the Mayor may provide for the issuance of temporary licenses to applicants for licensure to practice social work and marriage and family therapy for a period not to exceed 1 year, and to applicants for licensure to practice as anesthesiologist assistants for a period not to exceed 2 years;

Florida

Florida Department of Health Emergency Order No.20-003

http://flhealthsource.gov/pdf/DOH-EXECUTIVE_ORDER-20-003.pdf

For purposes of preparing for, responding to, and mitigating any effect of COVID-19, health care professionals not licensed in this state may provide health care services to a patient in this state using telehealth, notwithstanding the requirements of section 456.47(4)(a) through (c), (h), and (i), Florida Statutes, for a period not to exceed 30 days unless extended by order of the State Surgeon General. In addition to the allowed professions under Department of Health Emergency Order 20-002, this exemption shall apply to the following

out of state health care professionals holding a valid, clear, and unrestricted license in another state or territory in the United States who are not currently under investigation or prosecution in any disciplinary proceeding in any of the states in which they hold a license: clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists. All other requirements in section 456.47(4) remain in effect, including the requirement that the health care professional provide health care services within the applicable scope of practice established by Florida law or rule. Any statute and/or rule to the contrary is hereby suspended for a period of thirty days, unless extended.

Information regarding telehealth:

<https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/pdfs/491-telehealth.pdf>

Idaho

April 7, 2020 Board Action permits telehealth by out-of-state social workers with in-state clients

"Ms. Dickman made a motion based on the Governor's Proclamation regarding COVID-19 to allow temporary telehealth practice for out of state Social Workers that have existing patients currently residing in Idaho. The social worker must hold a current and unrestricted license in another jurisdiction and can only help a client with whom they currently have a patient/provider relationship. This provision will only be for the time Governor Little recognizes as part of the COVID-19 emergency. It was seconded by Ms. Christenson. Motion carried."

-[https://gov.idaho.gov/press release/governor-little-rolls-out-latest-actions-to-further-prepare-idaho-for-coronavirus-ease-burdens-on-citizens/](https://gov.idaho.gov/press%20release/governor-little-rolls-out-latest-actions-to-further-prepare-idaho-for-coronavirus-ease-burdens-on-citizens/)

Indiana

Telehealth Guidance

Pursuant to Executive Order 20-05, all licensed mental health professionals in the State of Indiana are permitted to conduct their work via telehealth. All statutes and rules that are applicable during remote practice must still be observed; however, the requirement that the patient be physically present with the professional is suspended until the end of the public health crisis.

Indiana Executive Order 20-05

A. Suspension of the requirement that a health care provider hold an Indiana license if he or she:

- (1) has an equivalent license from another State, and
- (2) is not suspended or barred from practice in that State or any State

B. Mental health professionals are permitted to practice via telemedicine.

Indiana Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, Mental Health Counselors, and Addiction Counselors,
A compilation of Indiana Code and Administrative Code
25-23.6-4-2 Exemptions

(3) Not a resident of Indiana if the person performed social work in Indiana for not more than five (5) days in any one (1) month or more than fifteen (15) days in any one (1) calendar year and the person is authorized to perform such services under the laws of the state or country in which the person resides.

Iowa

Iowa Board of Social Work Covid-19 Guidance Statements

<https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Social-Work>

Out-of-state social workers: For the duration of the Proclamation, individuals who are licensed as social workers in another state, whose license is in good standing, may provide services to Iowans through electronic means without obtaining a license from the Board.

Governor Proclamation of Disaster Emergency

Temporarily suspends the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code § 147.137 and Iowa Admin. Code rule 653-13.11, rule 641-155.2, and other implementing administrative rules establishing preconditions, limitations, or restrictions on the provision of telehealth or telemedicine services, and I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Admin. Code rules 641-155.21(19) and 155.23(4) and other administrative rules which require face-to-face interactions with health care providers and impose requirements for residential and outpatient substance use disorder treatment and for face-to-face visitations.

Governor Proclamation

Section Seven. Pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6(6), I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Admin. Code r 281-79.16(4)(a), 645-31.6(2)(b)(12), 645-280.6(3), 645-240.6(2), 657-4.3, 645-300.3(4)(b)(2), 300.6(3)(a), and 300.6(3)(d), requiring the completion of clinical, practical, or internship experience as a condition of obtaining professional licensure to be a school administrator, mental health counselor, independent social worker, psychologist, pharmacist, or speech pathologist or audiologist. Suspension of these provisions shall extend through the duration of this Proclamation and any future extension of this suspension. I hereby direct all regulatory agencies or boards governed by these provisions to provide additional guidance to licensees regarding the effect of these suspensions.

Section Fifteen. Pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6(6), I temporarily suspend the regulatory provisions of Iowa Admin. Code r. 645-280.2 and 645-31.18, to the extent that they require out-of-state marital, family therapy, and mental health counselors, or social workers who provide services by telephone or other electronic means to individuals in the State of Iowa to be licensed in Iowa.

Kansas

BSRB Important Information Regarding Telemental Health

https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/important-information-regarding-telemental-health1665e446357f69b7acc5ff0000cef974.pdf?sfvrsn=da1a8d85_0

There are no statutes or regulations that apply solely to telemental health (teletherapy). All statutes and regulations apply to all services provided regardless of how the services are provided (in-person or by telemental health). Per Kansas requirements, if the client is physically located in Kansas when services are being provided, the licensed provider must be licensed in the State of Kansas. Kansas does have the option of a temporary permit for those who hold an independent license in another state. Links have been provided below for each profession's temporary out of state permit application. If the client is physically located in another state when services are being provided, the licensee must contact the state board where the client is located to determine licensure and telemental health requirements.

Kansas Executive Order No. 20-26

3. Any and all provisions in Kansas law are temporarily suspended, in whole or part, to the extent necessary to allow health care professionals licensed and in good standing in any state or territory in the United States to practice in Kansas without criminal, civil, or administrative penalty related to lack of licensure. A license that has been suspended or revoked is not considered a license in good standing, and a licensee with pending disciplinary action is not considered to have a license in good standing. Any license that is subject to a limitation in another state is subject to the same limitation in this state.

Kentucky

Kentucky Board of Social Work Guidance Statement

<https://bsw.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>

Emergency Temporary License for telehealth. The new license will be offered, during the state of emergency, to licensed clinical social workers who hold a license in good standing from the jurisdictions contiguous to Kentucky; the LCSW (or equivalent) must have had an existing client relationship, which existed on or before March 7, 2020, to qualify for the license.

Louisiana

Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 37 Chapter 35 Social Workers
Section 2722 Exclusions

A. No provision of this Chapter shall be construed to prohibit:

C. An individual licensed to practice social work in another jurisdiction who is providing services within the scope of practice designated by such license and in response to a disaster declared by the appropriate authority or governor of the state may, upon prior written notice of the board, provide such services in this jurisdiction for a period of time not to exceed sixty consecutive days per year without applying for a license. The practitioner who provides services under this Subsection shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the board and be bound by the laws of this state.

Louisiana Revised Statutes
37:2722 – Exclusions

A. An individual licensed to practice social work in another jurisdiction may, upon prior written application to the board, practice social work in this jurisdiction within the scope of practice designated by such license no more than thirty days per year without applying for a license. Practice privileges under this Subsection shall apply only if the requirements for a license in such other jurisdictions are substantially similar to the requirements for licensure in this jurisdiction. The thirty-day period shall commence on the date of receipt by the board of the written application. The practitioner who provides services under this Subsection shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the applicable board and be bound by the laws of this state.

C. An individual licensed to practice social work in another jurisdiction who is providing services within the scope of practice designated by such license and in response to a disaster declared by the appropriate authority or governor of the state may, upon prior written notice of the board, provide such services in this jurisdiction for a period of time not to exceed sixty consecutive days per year without applying for a license.

The practitioner who provides services under this Subsection shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the board and be bound by the laws of this state.

Maine

Maine Executive Order 35 2019-2020

Social workers may provide necessary health care services permitted by their licenses through the use of all modes of telehealth, including video and audio, audio- only, or other electronic media. To the extent that requirements of any state patient privacy or confidentiality law, including but not limited to 22 M.R.S. § 1711-C, would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay the provision of health care services through the use of telehealth authorized by this Order, enforcement of that law is hereby suspended. This Order does not expand the scope of practice for any type of licensee. Out-of-state Social Workers may apply for a temporary Maine license valid until 60 days after the conclusion of the declared state of civil emergency unless surrendered. --https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/oos_lic_covid_emerg_temp_app.pdf

Maryland

Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners Guidance Statements
<https://health.maryland.gov/bswe/Pages/default.aspx>

Out of state social workers doing teletherapy or practicing in Maryland

If you are a licensed clinical or master social worker licensed in another jurisdiction and want to maintain continuity of care to a client who lives in Maryland email Gloria Jean Hammel, LCSW-C Gloria.Hammel@maryland.gov. Clinical Social Workers licensed in other states can practice social work, including teletherapy no more than 6 months, with an endorsement application pending before the Board. This application will be expedited, and fees are waived.

Maryland Health Occupations Code Title 19. Social Workers
§ 19-301. License required; exceptions; practice without license
(b) Exceptions. -- This section does not apply to:

(2) An individual licensed as a social worker in another state while responding to an emergency in this State;

Massachusetts

Board guidance statement on telemedicine

The Board of Registration of Psychologists, Board of Registration of Social Workers, and Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health and Human Services Professions within the Division of Professional Licensure shall refrain from taking any disciplinary action solely upon the basis of providing telemedicine services against the license of a health care provider who provides care to an established patient who is a student enrolled in a college or university located in Massachusetts during the 2019-2020 academic year upon the student's return to his or her home state. If the student's home state is a state other than Massachusetts, health care providers who provide such continued care are nevertheless advised to contact the applicable licensing board in the state in which the patient/client/student is at the time of service to determine whether or not such practice is permitted in that jurisdiction. This is effective until the Order Extending the Registration of Certain Licensed Health Professionals is rescinded or until the state of emergency is terminated, whichever happens first.

Minnesota

Minnesota Executive Order 20-28

Authorizes out-of-state mental health providers to provide telehealth services to Minnesota patients during the COVID-19 peacetime emergency.

Requires registration: https://mn.gov/boards/assets/Telehealth%20Registration%20Fillable%20PDF%20-%20BOSW_tcm21-426977.pdf

Minnesota Statutes

148E.060 Temporary Licenses

III. Subd. 2. Emergency situations and persons currently licensed in another jurisdiction.

(a) The board may issue a temporary license to practice social work to an applicant who is licensed or credentialed to practice social work in another jurisdiction, may or may not have applied for a license under section 148E.055, and has:

(1) applied for a temporary license on a form provided by the board;

(2) submitted a form provided by the board authorizing the board to complete a criminal background check;

(3) submitted evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant is currently licensed or credentialed to practice social work in another jurisdiction;

(4) attested on a form provided by the board that the applicant has completed the requirements for a baccalaureate or graduate degree in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, the Canadian Association of Schools of Social Work, or a similar accrediting body designated by the board, or a doctorate in social work from an accredited university; and

(5) not engaged in conduct that was or would be in violation of the standards of practice specified in sections 148E.195 to 148E.240. If the applicant has engaged in conduct that was or would be in violation of the standards of practice, the board may take action according to sections 148E.255 to 148E.270.

(b) A temporary license issued under this subdivision expires after six months.

Mississippi

Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists Covid-19 Guidance Statements

<https://www.swmft.ms.gov/covid-19-update-and-important-information>

MSBESWMFT Proclamation and Emergency Permit

Further, until action is taken by the Governor to lift the state of emergency, out-of-state Social Workers and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists may utilize telehealth/technology in practice when treating patients in Mississippi without the necessity of securing a license to practice in this State, provided the out-of-state Social Worker or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist holds an unrestricted license to practice in the state in which the Social Worker or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist practices and currently is not the subject of an investigation or disciplinary proceeding and so advises the Board in writing.

Mississippi Administrative Code

2.6. C. Emergency Provisional Permit for Social Workers. During a lawfully declared local, state or national disaster or emergency, the Board may grant a social worker who holds a license to practice such profession in another state or territory of the United States an emergency temporary social worker permit to practice in Mississippi to the extent authorized by this rule as if the individual were licensed in this state. To qualify for an

emergency provisional permit, an individual must meet the requirements described below:

1. The individual seeking an emergency provisional permit must: a. hold a current license in good standing as a social worker in another state or territory of the United States;; b. possess a license that is equivalent to that of the Mississippi license and have no existing or history of disciplinary action against any license held in any jurisdiction; c. be sponsored by a social worker with an active license in good standing in Mississippi; and d. adhere to the scope of practice for a similarly licensed individual established by the licensing provisions, practice acts, or other laws, rules or regulations of the State of Mississippi.
2. The individual seeking an emergency provisional permit must:
 - a. Submit a complete, signed and notarized Application for Emergency Provisional Permit and proof of his or her identify, which must include a copy of a driver's license, passport, or other photo identification issued by a governmental entity;
 - b. Submit an application fee of \$50.00, payable by cashiers or money order and made payable to MBOE;
 - c. Submit verification of licensure for each state or territory in which licensure has been issued; d. Provide the Board with the location where he or she will practice; and e. Provide any other information required by the Board.
3. An emergency provisional permit shall be valid for a period as determined by the Board or its designee not to exceed ninety (90) days. The Board or its designee may renew the provisional permit for an additional ninety (90) days, if the lawfully declared disaster or emergency still exists. Provided however, that an emergency provisional permit shall expire at the time designated by the Board or whenever the lawfully declared disaster or emergency no longer exists, whichever comes first.
4. A holder of an emergency provisional permit (i) may only practice in the location on file at the Boards office; and (ii) must notify the Board in writing prior to beginning employment in another location.
5. An emergency provisional permit may be immediately suspended or revoked upon discovery of any falsification, omission, or withholding of information.
6. An individual wishing to practice as a social worker beyond the expiration of an emergency provisional permit or any extension thereof must apply for and obtain a social worker or marriage and family therapist license in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations governing said license in the State of Mississippi.

Montana

Montana Department of Labor & Industry Covid-19 Guidance Statements

http://bsd.dli.mt.gov/licensee-covid-19?pk_vid=ff197beaa4be87ff1585938072194e0d

The Department of Labor and Industry, Business Standards Division (BSD), has implemented an interstate licensure recognition registration process to allow expedited registration of health care professionals who hold an active, unrestricted license in another state to allow them to begin working in Montana as soon as possible. Social workers providing client services or patient care from out of state to persons located in Montana must either hold a Montana license or register through the Emergency Interstate Registration.

Montana Code Annotated 2019

37-22-305. Representation to public as licensed clinical social worker -- limitations on use of title -- limitations on practice.

(1) Upon issuance of a license in accordance with this chapter, a licensee may use the title "licensed clinical social worker". Except as provided in subsection (2), a person may not represent that the person is a licensed clinical social worker by adding the letters "LSW" or "LCSW" after the person's name or by any other means unless licensed under this chapter.

(2) Individuals licensed in accordance with this chapter before October 1, 1993, who use the title "licensed social worker" or "LSW" may use the title "licensed clinical social worker" or "LCSW".

(3) Subsection (1) does not prohibit:

(e) activities and services by a person who is not a resident of this state that are rendered for a period that does not exceed, in the aggregate, 60 days during a calendar year or 45 consecutive calendar days if the person is authorized under the law of the state or country of residence to perform the activities and services. However, the person shall report to the department the nature and extent of the activities and services if they exceed 10 days in a calendar year.

Montana Code Annotated 2019

Interstate Licensure Recognition -- Volunteer Professionals

10-3-118. Interstate licensure recognition -- volunteer professionals. (1) (a) Subject to subsection (2), whenever a state of emergency or disaster is in effect, a volunteer professional who possesses an active, unrestricted license in another state may practice in Montana to the extent authorized by law as if the person had been licensed in Montana.

(b) A volunteer professional shall adhere to the scope and standards of practice set forth in licensing provisions, practice acts, or other laws or policies of Montana.

(2) (a) Prior to providing services in Montana, a volunteer professional who is licensed for professional services in another state shall register with the appropriate licensing agency in the state of Montana. The licensing agency shall verify the current licensure of the volunteer professional in the other state or states prior to registering the licensee.

(b) Based on available funding, the licensing agency may request and accept funds for the purpose of implementing the provisions of subsection (2)(a).

Nebraska

Nebraska Executive Order No. 20-10

<https://govdocs.nebraska.gov/docs/pilot/pubs/eofiles/20-10.pdf>

Temporarily suspends the following for selected health professionals including mental health: Credentialing requirements to practice in NE with an out-of-state license in person or via telehealth

Nevada

Nevada Declaration of Emergency Directive 011 April 1, 2020

[http://gov.nv.gov/News/Emergency_Orders/2020/2020-04-01 - COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency Directive 011/](http://gov.nv.gov/News/Emergency_Orders/2020/2020-04-01_-_COVID-19_Declaration_of_Emergency_Directive_011/)

Section 2: The waiver and exemption of professional licensing requirements shall apply to qualified providers of medical services during this declared emergency who currently hold a valid license in good standing in another state, providers of medical services whose licenses currently stand suspended for licensing fee delinquencies, providers of medical services whose licenses currently stand suspended for failure to meet continuing medical education requirements, and providers of medical services who have retired from their practice in any state with their license in good standing. These waivers and exemptions shall not apply to persons whose licenses have been revoked or voluntarily surrendered as a result of disciplinary proceedings.

Section 4: Individuals seeking waiver and exemption of professional licensing requirements are required to notify the applicable Nevada licensing board or agency and provide any requested information. Any medical

facility as defined by NRS 449.0151, laboratory, or pharmacy employs or contracts with a provider of emergency medical services who is not licensed in Nevada during this declared emergency must ensure that the provider has notified the applicable Nevada license board or agency.

New Hampshire

New Hampshire Emergency Order # 15 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04

Temporary authorization for out of state medical providers to provide medically necessary services and provide services through telehealth

Pursuant to Section 18 of Executive Order 2020-04, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

1. To protect the public's health and increase access to medical care in New Hampshire, any out-of-state medical provider whose profession is licensed within this State shall be allowed to perform any medically necessary service as if the medical provider were licensed to perform such service within the state of New Hampshire subject to the following conditions:

a) The medical provider is licensed and in good standing in another United States jurisdiction. b) The medical services provided within New Hampshire are in-person or through appropriate forms of telehealth, as set forth in Emergency Order #8. c) The medical provider presents to the Office of Professional Licensure & Certification evidence that they are licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction. Such medical providers shall be issued an emergency New Hampshire license at no cost, which shall remain valid during the declared state of emergency. d) Medical providers shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the appropriate state licensing body while providing services within New Hampshire.

2. To further the temporary remote instruction and support of New Hampshire children, in-state and out-of-state medical providers shall be allowed to perform health care services through the use of all modes of telehealth, including video and audio, audio-only, and/or other electronic media to New Hampshire children enrolled within a New Hampshire school or in a school in another state, provided:

a) the services are in furtherance of an Individualized Education Program ("IEP") administered by the school in which the New Hampshire child is enrolled; and b) the medical provider is a New Hampshire licensee or receives an emergency New Hampshire license in accordance with Section 1, above.

3. Good standing pursuant to this Order shall include medical providers who are subject to nondisciplinary conditions but shall not include medical providers whose licenses have been revoked, cancelled, surrendered, suspended, denied, or subject to disciplinary restrictions.

4. The New Hampshire Office of Professional Licensure and Certification shall, as necessary provide assistance and guidance to out-of-state medical providers in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services.

5. This Order shall remain in effect until the State of Emergency is terminated, or this Order is rescinded, whichever shall happen first.

New Jersey

Application for Temporary Emergency License for Out-of-State Practitioners

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Pages/Temporary-Emergency-License-for-Out-of-State-Practitioners.aspx>

Telehealth Guidance

As a permit holder, certificate holder, or licensee of the above-mentioned boards/committee you are allowed to engage in the practice of telemedicine/telehealth if you hold an active permit, certificate, or license in New Jersey to clients located in New Jersey and under appropriate supervision (if your certificate/permit/license requires supervision). If inquiring on whether you are able to practice in another state, please contact that jurisdiction's licensing board/entity as laws and regulations vary from state to state.

If you have a license, permit, or certification under the Board of Social Work Examiners, Board of Psychological Examiners, or Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory Committee and are seeking information and/or guidance about practicing telemedicine/telehealth in the state of New Jersey please visit the below links:

<https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2016/Bills/PL17/117 .HTM>

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/COVID19/Documents/FAQ-Telehealth.pdf>

New York

Executive Order 202.18 Temporary suspension of laws and regulations

Sections 6512 through 6516, and 7704 of the Education Law and Part 74 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to allow licensed master social workers, licensed clinical social workers, and substantially similar titles licensed and in current good standing in any state in the United States, or in any province or territory of Canada, to practice in New York State without civil or criminal penalty related to lack of licensure; Section 6502 of the Education Law and 8 NYCRR 59.8, to the extent necessary to allow specialist assistants, respiratory therapists, respiratory therapist technicians, pharmacists, clinical nurse specialists, dentists, dental hygienists, registered dental assistants, midwives, perfusionists, clinical laboratory technologists, cytotechnologists, certified clinical laboratory technicians, certified histological technicians, licensed clinical social workers, licensed master social workers, podiatrists, physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists, psychoanalysts and psychologists who have an unencumbered license and are currently in good standing in New York State but not registered in New York State to practice in New York State without civil or criminal penalty related to lack of registration;

North Carolina

North Carolina Executive Order 116 2020

State of emergency declared. Among other actions, temporarily waives North Carolina licensure requirements for health care and behavioral health care personnel who are licensed in another state, territory, or the District of Columbia to provide health care services within the Emergency Area. Any clinical social worker licensed in another state who wishes to provide clinical social work services (either through electronic means or in person) to individuals located in North Carolina must notify the NC Social Work Certification and Licensure Board at dteague@ncswboard.org of their intent to provide clinical social work services to someone located in North Carolina and also must identify the state(s) in which the clinical social worker is licensed and license number. This notification must be done PRIOR to providing clinical social work services to someone located in North Carolina. The temporary licensure is a valid for a maximum of six months and expires when the Executive Order is lifted.

Oregon

Oregon Board of Social Workers Covid-19 Guidance Statements

<https://www.oregon.gov/BLSW/Pages/index.aspx>

Telehealth

The Board has not established any specific limitations on telehealth; Review the following Standards for Technology in Social Work Practice

<https://www.socialworkers.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=lcTcdsHUcng%3d&portalid=0>

OAR 877-020-0070

Effective date 03/31/2020 through 09/26/2020

<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/viewSingleRule.action?ruleVrsnRsn=269053>

Clinical social workers licensed in another state are permitted to practice clinical social work in OR during emergency.

To apply send the following items to Oregon.BLSW@oregon.gov as a PDF

Pages 1 and 2 from the regular application (ignore the section about fees)

<https://www.oregon.gov/blsw/Documents/LCSWApplication.pdf>

Copy of license to practice independent clinical social work issued by another state or province;

A copy of current U.S. Passport or driver license; and

A statement requesting an Oregon emergency clinical social work license, including if relevant, the agency or organization with whom you will be working.

There is no fee for this license.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Covid-19 Guidance Statement on Telemedicine

Health care professionals licensed under any of the Department of State's Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs (BPOA) licensing boards can provide services to patients via telemedicine during the coronavirus emergency.

Licensed practitioners in other states can provide services to Pennsylvanians via the use of telemedicine, without obtaining a Pennsylvania license, for the duration of the emergency. Out-of-state practitioners must provide the Board they would normally seek licensure in with the following information prior to practicing telemedicine with Pennsylvanians:

1. The practitioner's full name, home or work mailing address, telephone number where they can be reached, and an email address.
2. Identify the practitioner's license type (e.g., "physician and surgeon," "registered nurse," etc.), any license number or other identifying information that is unique to that practitioner's license, and the identify the state or other governmental body that issued the license.

South Carolina

South Carolina Board of Social Work Examiners Covid-19 Guidance Statement

Social workers licensed outside of South Carolina, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 40-63-290(6)

-Social workers so licensed in another jurisdiction may, after notice to the Board, practice within the scope of their licenses during or immediately following a declared or recognized emergency for a period not to exceed 60 days.

South Carolina Code of Laws

Section 40-63-290. Persons exempt from licensure requirement.

Nothing in this chapter prevents:

(6) social workers so licensed in another jurisdiction may, after notice to the board, practice within the scope of their licenses during or immediately following a declared or recognized emergency for a period not to

exceed sixty days.

Vermont

Vermont Secretary of State Office of Professional Regulation Covid-19 Guidance Statements
<https://sos.vermont.gov/opr/about-opr/covid-19-response/out-of-state-licensees-temporary-licensees-telehealth/>

Out-of-state licensed social workers can provide telehealth to clients in VT

Virginia

Virginia Executive Order Amended No. 57-2020

3. Health care practitioners with an active license issued by another state may provide continuity of care to their current patients who are Virginia residents through telehealth services. Establishment of a relationship with a new patient requires a Virginia license.

Wyoming

Emergency Rules Disaster Relief
Continuity of care.

During the duration of a state of emergency declared by the Governor of the State of Wyoming, any mental health professional licensed or certified by another state who has an existing provider-client relationship with a Wyoming citizen may continue to provide services to the Wyoming citizen through telehealth technology until 30 days after the day the Governor of the State of Wyoming lifts the state of emergency.