

**TEMPORARY Nursing License
(Guide for New Graduates of Nursing Schools
Located in the United States)**

Given the current COVID-19 pandemic and national and state declarations of emergency, Governor Whitmer and LARA Director Orlene Hawks recognize the critical need for nursing students who have completed program requirements to be licensed as quickly as possible. This information is being provided to Michigan higher education institutions and stakeholders so it can be shared with students who have successfully completed the nursing program, will soon be graduating, and are ready for licensure.

For students who have not taken the NCLEX but have successfully completed all other course and program requirements to graduate, LARA is allowing students to apply for a Temporary Nursing License to give students the ability to enter the workforce during this unprecedented time. This will allow students to be licensed and begin working in their chosen profession during the COVID-19 state of emergency, while taking additional time to prepare for and take the NCLEX. Please be aware of the following instructions as it is important that applicants submit completed applications with the necessary information for LARA to expeditiously issue licenses.

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Application:

- Online application can be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus.

Application and License Fee:

- Temporary RN or LPN License \$218.90.
- Good for up to 1 year of issuance date.

Required Information:

- Social Security Number.
- Name of School Attended and Educational Program Completed.
- School Provides:
 - Michigan Nursing School Certification Form - Provide directly to BPL from the school and emailed to BPL-NurseCert@Michigan.gov. The **Nursing Program Completion Date** field is the date that BPL uses to qualify the student to take the NCLEX. This date is typically different from the graduation date for most schools.

- Transcripts/Certification - Official Transcripts OR the Michigan Nursing School Certification Form, if applicable, submitted directly to BPL from the nursing school attended.
- [Michigan Nursing School Certification Form](#)

Background Check and Good Moral Character requirements:

- Applicants for licensure must attest that they are of Good Moral Character
- Criminal Background Check – Once the online application is completed and submitted applicant will be emailed an Application Confirmation letter containing instructions to complete the Criminal Background Check.

Additional Information:

Please submit information to the Bureau of Professional Licensing to bpldata@michigan.gov

- Note in the Subject line: Nursing Application Information.

Please note the following:

- If the student takes and passes the NCLEX prior to the expiration of the temporary license, the full license will automatically be issued.
- If the student takes the NCLEX and fails, the license will be null, and void and he/she will have to apply for full licensure.
- If the student does not take the NCLEX by the time the temporary license expires, he/she will have to apply for the full license as the temporary license is a non-renewable license.
- When applying for a Temporary License, the student will be qualified to take the NCLEX and can take the test during the time of holding the Temporary License.

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