

## Board of Nursing

Larry Hogan, Governor · Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor · Robert R. Neall, Secretary

## Advisory Re: Suspended, Revoked, and Surrendered Licenses and Certificates/Probation Orders

Please be advised, the Governor's March 16, 2020 Executive Order "Relating to Various Health Care Matters" (the "Executive Order") **DOES NOT** permit individuals whose license(s) and/or certificate(s) is revoked or suspended to resume practice during the COVID-19 state of emergency. Likewise, the Executive Order **DOES NOT** permit individuals who have surrendered their license(s) and/or certificate(s) to resume practice during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

If you previously held an active license and/or certificate that was revoked, suspended, or surrendered, you must meet all terms and conditions of your individual disciplinary order or letter of surrender, as well as all applicable legal requirements under the Nurse Practice Act, before petitioning the Board for reinstatement. Moreover, the Board maintains full discretion, in accordance with sections 8-319 and 8-6A-10(c) of the Health Occupations Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to decide whether or not to grant a petition for reinstatement.

Please also be advised that if your license(s) and/or certificate(s) is currently on probation or is subject to other terms and conditions as the result of disciplinary order, you must continue to comply with those probationary or other terms and conditions. The Executive Order **DOES NOT** suspend or modify these obligations during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

If you have any additional questions, or if you are having difficulty complying with the terms and conditions of a disciplinary order during the COVID-19 state of emergency, email the Board at <a href="mailto:MBON.Compliance@maryland.gov">MBON.Compliance@maryland.gov</a>.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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