

## Insights

### Don't Let Expiration of Emergency COVID Waivers Leave You With Unlicensed Members of the Care Team

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Indiana Executive Orders that temporarily authorized certain health care students to practice in Indiana under a temporary license are set to expire on **September 30, 2021**. Executive Orders (**EO 21-17** and **EO 21-19**) allowed physician assistant students, nursing students, respiratory care practitioner students, and graduate pharmacists to practice under a temporary license during the public health emergency. The recent Executive Orders rescind this waiver authority on September 30, 2021. There is no indication at this time whether the Governor's office will renew the temporary licenses for these students.

Students practicing under these temporary licenses must make immediate arrangements to ensure that they are fully licensed to practice on or before September 30, 2021. Failure to do so may cause the student to become an unlicensed practicing professional, which may cause legal and financial issues for both the student and the student's employer.

If you have any questions about this alert, please contact **Brandon W. Shirley** or **Stacy Walton Long**.

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