

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Health

Board of Nursing

LAC 46:XLVII Section 3327

Licensure by Endorsement

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and through the authority granted in R.S. 37:917-918, that Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) is requesting an emergency rule to add language to Chapter 33, Section 3327. The Covid-19 public health emergency was declared in Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020, enacted on March 11, 2020 and extended numerous times, most recently in Proclamation Number 18 JBE 2022, which is set to expire on March 16, 2022. In coordination with the State Health Officer, the LSBN recognizes a need for a transition period to permit RNs and APRNs working under emergency proclamation to continue working for a transition period. The transition period is necessary to prevent imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare. The additional language to Chapter 33, Section 3327.A.11 provides an exception allowing RNs and APRNs to continue to practice nursing in Louisiana with a current, active, unencumbered, unrestricted out-of-state license for a 90-day transition period following the expiration of the Covid-19 public health emergency.

Title 46

Professional and Occupational Standards

Part XLVII. Nurses: Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses

Subpart 2. Registered Nurses

Chapter. 33 General

Subchapter C. Registration and Registered Nurse Licensure

Section 3327

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11 Exception: The requirement that an out-of-state registered nurse or an out-of-state advanced practice registered nurse (including an out-of-state certified nurse midwife, a certified registered nurse anesthetist, a clinical nurse specialist, and a nurse practitioner) obtain a license to practice registered nursing or advanced practice registered nursing in Louisiana as set forth in La. R.S. 37:920, is temporarily suspended for a 90-day transition period following the expiration of the Covid-19 declared public health emergency, provided that such person has an active,

unencumbered, unrestricted license to practice registered nursing or advanced practice registered nursing from any U.S. state, territory, or district, which has been confirmed through the NURSYS system. The 90-day transition period expires on June 14, 2022.

Effective: 03/17/2022

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen C. Lyon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a long, sweeping tail on the 'y'.

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