5. Public Health Emergency Exception

   a. The board may extend the expiration of a temporary permit or reinstate an expired permit during a public health emergency and for such periods thereafter as approved by the board for graduates who have not taken the NCLEX-RN provided that:

      i. the person is a graduate of an approved school and has a pending application for initial licensure submitted within the immediately preceding calendar year;

      ii. there is no evidence of violation of this Part or of LAC 46:XLVII.3331;

      iii. there are no allegations of acts or omissions which constitute grounds for disciplinary action as defined in R.S. 37:921 and LAC 46:XLVII.3403 and 3405.

   b. Any permit extended or reinstated in accordance with the public health emergency exception shall be valid for 120 days and may be extended for additional 90-day increments upon written request and as determined appropriate and necessary by the board.