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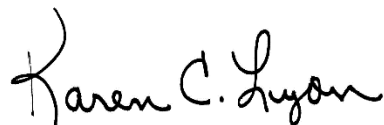
RE: Notice of Emergency Rule

Dear Governor Edwards,

The Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN) has exercised the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, specifically La. R.S. 49:953(B), and through the authority granted in R.S. 37: 918, and in accordance with Executive Department Proclamation Number 38-JBE-2020 to adopt an emergency rule which will add additional language to Chapter 33, Section 3335. The added language in Section 3335 will give the board the ability to temporarily waive the requirements for continuing education related to the reinstatement of lapsed, inactive, or retired registered nurses (RN) licenses during a public health emergency. Any license reinstated under this exception shall meet the continuing education requirements to maintain licensure following the public health emergency. In compliance with the provisions of La. R.S. 49:953 (B), this will serve as notice of the Board's adoption of Emergency Rules with the effective date of April 3, 2020. The rule changes can be accessed at: <https://www.doa.la.gov/osr/EMR/2020/2004EMR031.pdf> .

In accordance with Governor Edwards' Proclamation Number 38-JBE-2020, §2(P), the LSBN is adopting this rule to amend/waive a rule that interferes with the licensing of healthcare providers that are necessary to address the declared public health emergency. Please contact me at lyonk@lsbn.state.la.us or 225-755-7576 if you have any questions or concerns related to this rule change.

Sincerely,



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