

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS

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MEMORANDUM FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO: All Licensees, Temporary Licensees, and Applicants
FROM: Kentucky Board of Licensure for Long-Term Care Administrators
RE: Executive Orders 2020-215, 2020-243, and Senate Bill 150
DATE: March 26, 2021

By Executive Order 2020-215, Governor Beshear declared a State of Emergency of the public health in the Commonwealth of Kentucky on March 6, 2020 due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Governor Beshear later issued Executive Order 2020-243, which ordered all boards to take the necessary actions to ensure appropriate social distancing, and stated that any state statute or regulation that conflicts with the provisions of Executive Order 2020-243 was suspended. All of the Executive Orders are available at the Healthy at Work website — <u>https://healthyatwork.ky.gov.</u> In addition, Senate Bill ("SB") 150, which became effective on March 30, 2020, allows boards to waive or suspend the fees or administrative obligations required to engage in business regulated by the board during the State of Emergency. The bill can be found at <u>https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/20rs/sb150.html</u>.

SB 150 provides that all current licenses remain in effect during the State of Emergency and all administrative requirements to keep licenses active are stayed for **thirty (30) days** after the State of Emergency is lifted. The stay includes all fees, fines, renewal applications, and continuing education requirements. SB Bill 150 also allows boards to waive or suspend the fees or administrative obligations required to engage in business regulated by the board during the state of emergency. <u>Please note that these</u>





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changes are only in place during the State of Emergency announced in Executive Order 2020-215 and will expire when the State of Emergency has ceased.

The Board has determined that the following Board regulation is affected by the Executive Orders 2020-215 and 2020-243, and Senate Bill 150 and issues the following guidance:

201 KAR 6:070. Continuing Education Requirements. Section 2(1) requires a minimum of

thirty (30) continuing education hours during the biennium. Because of the time demands on licensees

during the State of Emergency contained in Executive Orders 2020-215 and 2020-243, all current licensees

are excused from obtaining fifteen (15) continuing education hours during any biennium of which 2021 is

a part.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board Administrator, Christie Kline, at

LTCA@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

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