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## **PLA Releases COVID-19 Temporary Healthcare Provider Registry**

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INDIANAPOLIS- The Professional Licensing Agency (PLA), at the directive of Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-13, has created a registry for individuals to attain temporary healthcare licenses in order to assist the State of Indiana's COVID-19 response. This registry will allow individuals who currently do not hold an existing Indiana license to quickly register themselves and be mobilized in order to address critical healthcare staffing needs in the coming weeks. These professionals will be able to assist in screenings, telemedicine and other basic procedures to allow regularly licensed medical professionals to be on the frontline.

Once an individual has found an employer that can utilize their skills, they can visit the PLA's website to begin the process at [www.in.gov/pla](http://www.in.gov/pla). By utilizing this registry, healthcare practitioners are able to easily join the fight against COVID-19 via a streamlined licensure process. The individual will still need to verify their healthcare credentials to ensure quality of care is maintained, but can attain licensure without requirements that may be time-prohibitive or difficult to meet during this crisis. This registry is currently open to:

- Out-of-state healthcare practitioners;
- Retired healthcare professionals; and
- Recent graduates of accredited medical, nursing, physician assistant, and respiratory care programs.

Any individual who utilizes the registry may work initially for 90 days, with extensions for an additional 30 days authorized, or until the public health emergency is over. Once the emergency is over, their license will expire and all existing application procedures must be followed such as taking the appropriate licensure exam and meeting other requirements.