

INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform Facility-Based Health Care providers and temporary Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) license holders that the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) is reminding providers all Temporary Certified Nursing Assistant (T-NA) licenses will expire no later than December 31, 2021.

Information:

All T-NA licenses will expire no later than December 31, 2021. CDPHE asks that you review your T-NA license to verify the expiration date, as some may expire sooner. This can be done by either looking at the copy of the license that was emailed to you or verifying the license through the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) website.

If your T-NA license expires before the end of this calendar year, you can apply for another temporary license via the DORA online system.

You will want to ensure completion and passage of the required exams for full licensure before the December 31, 2021 expiration date. These examinations may be scheduled through Pearson Vue. It is important that employers

ensure temporary licensed staff schedule their exam as soon as possible to avoid any staffing gaps once the temporary license expires.

Those holding a temporary license issued between December 7, 2020 and April 5, 2021, which expired on June 30, 2021, may apply for a second temporary certification. These individuals must submit documentation of passage of the written exam and attest that they will register for the required skill exam within 60 days of availability in their regional area (within 250 miles). **Those who have been granted a temporary license and have failed their skilled exam are not eligible for a second temporary certification.**

It is important for those who hold temporary licenses to schedule exams as soon as possible. It is the responsibility of each individual to ensure their exams are completed and apply for regular Nurse Aid Certification before the end of the 2021 calendar year.

Residential Care Facilities are encouraged to continue staffing temporary nurse aides in their current capacity through December 31, 2021, or the expiration of their temporary license. Facilities should verify all temporary license expiration dates and help facilitate the scheduling and timely completion of the required exams and full licensure for their staff as best they can.

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Attachment(s):

None

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