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Order Waiving License Renewal Requirements

On March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19 to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization as a result of a broader spread of COVID-19.

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders N-40-20 and N-75-20, during the State of Emergency, the Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs may, for licensing agencies within the Department, waive any statutory or regulatory continuing education requirements pertaining to individuals licensed pursuant to Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code (the Code).

Accordingly, for individuals whose licenses expire between March 31, 2020, and May 31, 2021, the Director temporarily waives any statutory or regulatory requirement that an individual renewing a license pursuant to Division 3 of the Code complete, or demonstrate compliance with, any continuing education requirements.

This temporary waiver does not apply to any continuing education or training required pursuant to a disciplinary order against a license.

Licensees must satisfy any waived continuing education requirements within six months of this order.

This temporary waiver does not relieve such individuals from timely complying with any other renewal requirements, including completing and submitting the required renewal forms to the governing licensing agency.

As a result of this waiver, the Department of Consumer Affairs' constituent licensing agencies may renew licenses despite noncompliance with the statutory or regulatory continuing education renewal requirements identified above.

On October 22, 2020, December 15, 2020, and February 26, 2021, the Director issued Orders Waiving License Renewal Requirements. The October 22, 2020, December 15, 2020, and February 26, 2021, orders are hereby withdrawn and rescinded. These waivers are effective immediately but may be amended as circumstances require.

Dated: March 30, 2021

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