

Title: COVID-19 Public Health Emergency:
Temporary Extension of Expiration Date for
Medication Administration Registrations

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1. *§521 – Prescription Orders to Administer Medications* requires pharmacists and pharmacy interns who administer medications to first obtain a medication administration (MA) registration. One of the eligibility requirements is proof of current life safety training as evidenced by a copy of the completion document, commonly referred to as a CPR card.
 2. Life safety training providers commonly issue CPR cards documenting completion of the training program with a two-year expiration date, indicating the need for further training to remain current on procedures and techniques for life safety.
 3. When the Board issues an MA registration, the expiration date from the CPR card is entered as the date of the MA registration. The person holding the MA registration is required to attend a refresher course, get an updated CPR card, and provide a copy of the new card to the Board. The Board then updates the MA registration with the new expiration date.
 4. Due to the physical distancing requirements, life safety training providers have been unable to hold training sessions. With no training programs available, persons holding CPR cards issued in 2018 have been unable to renew those cards, which places their MA registrations at risk of expiration.
 5. The Board President determined it appropriate to direct staff to temporarily extend the expiration date of all MA registrations scheduled to expire during the months of March, April and May 2020, and to extend those expiration dates to September 30, 2020.
 6. During their May 27 meeting, the Board approved the expansion of this order to include all MA registrations scheduled to expire at any time prior to the end of September 2020, with the temporary extension date of September 30, 2020.
 7. On August 30, the Board President took notice of the continued physical distancing requirements and lack of availability of life safety training programs. He directed staff to continue the temporary extension of expiration dates to include all MA registrations scheduled to expire before the end of December

2020, and to set the revised temporary expiration date at December 31, 2020.

8. During their November 18, 2020 meeting, the members voted to further extend this interim policy until February 28, 2021.
9. During their February 24, 2021 meeting, the members voted to further extend this interim policy until December 31, 2021, and further, directed staff to notify holders of MA registrations to take advantage of the new allowance for online competency demonstrations for certification in CPR as well as the planned termination of this temporary extension of expiration dates on December 31, 2021.

Revision History

02-24-2021	Added Item 9, to extend the temporary expiration date of December 31, 2021
11-18-2020	Added Item 8, to extend the temporary expiration date of February 28, 2021.
08-30-2020	Added Item 7, to extend the temporary expiration date to December 31, 2020.