



SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTIONS - COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY LICENSE APPLICATION WAIVERS / TEMPORARY LICENSURE / PROVISIONAL LICENSURE

WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSURE UNDER THE [AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AT A.R.S. §36-787](#) (PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY DURING STATE OF EMERGENCY):

- A. The **20-day licensure exemption** established at [A.R.S. §32-2075\(A\)\(4\). Exemptions from licensure](#) has been extended to the duration of the declared emergency.
- B. The Board will grant **provisional licenses** to qualifying psychologist applicants for exam and licensure pursuant to [Executive Order 2020-17 "Continuity of Work"](#).
- C. A **temporary unrestricted license to practice** for the duration of the declared emergency pursuant to [A.R.S. §32-3124. Temporary licensure; rules; fee; applicability](#) has been established.
- D. A **waiver allowing psychology services to be conducted without restriction via electronic means (telepractice)** to include audio and video for the duration of the declared emergency.
- E. An **extension of time for temporary (supervised) licenses granted to psychologist applicants completing post-doctoral training program and preparing to take the EPPP** pursuant to [A.R.S. §32-2073. Temporary licenses; inactive status; reinstatement to active status](#) is established for 18 months from the date the declared emergency is lifted.
- F. A **waiver of the licensure requirements** established at [A.R.S. §32-2071 \(A\)\(5\) and at \(K\)](#) for **psychology program graduates with degree completion dates between March 1, 2019 through March 31, 2021**.
- G. **Fees and continuing education requirements waivers** are extended to reactivating psychologist [Retired Status Licenses](#) retired within the previous 10 years from March 31, 2020, whose licenses were at the time of retirement were in good standing, and who have not surrendered the license, for the duration of the declared emergency.
- H. **Fees and continuing education requirements waivers** are extended to reactivating [Voluntary Inactive Status Licenses](#) for the duration of the declared emergency.
- I. The Executive Director is authorized to approve [Continuing Education Deadline Extension Requests](#) for up to 3 months from the date the declared emergency is lifted when a written explanation is submitted.

WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR BEHAVIOR ANALYST LICENSURE UNDER THE [AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AT A.R.S. §36-787](#) (PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY DURING STATE OF EMERGENCY):

- J. The **20-day licensure exemption** established at [A.R.S. §32-2091.08\(4\). Exemptions from Licensure](#) has been extended to the duration of the declared emergency.
- K. A **temporary license to practice** for the duration of the declared emergency pursuant to [A.R.S. §32-3124. Temporary licensure; rules; fee; applicability](#) has been established.
- L. **Fees and continuing education requirements waivers** are extended to reactivating [Retired Status Licenses](#) for behavior analysts who have retired within the previous 10 years from March 31, 2020, whose licenses were at the time of retirement were in good standing, and who have not surrendered the license.
- M. **Fees and continuing education requirements waivers** are extended to reactivating [Voluntary Inactive Status Licenses](#) for the duration of the declared emergency.
- N. The Executive Director is authorized to approve [Continuing Education Deadline Extension Requests](#) for up to 3 months from the date the declared emergency is lifted when a written explanation for the request is submitted.

WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPERVISION OF LICENSE APPLICANTS UNDER THE [AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AT A.R.S. §36-787](#) (PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY DURING STATE OF EMERGENCY):

- O. Suspension of the time limitations on telesupervision and telepractice concerning candidates for psychologist licensure under supervision while completing [internships](#), [pre-internships](#), [supervised postdoctoral experiences](#), and [residencies](#) during the declared state of emergency and for 3 months following.
- P. A waiver of requirements for Behavior Analyst licensure given the BACB temporary deviation from requirements for observations with a client to allow students to accrue unrestricted hours under the current circumstances that have prohibited direct access to clients.
- Q. A waiver allowing supervision to be conducted without restriction via electronic means ([providing supervision through telepractice](#)) to include audio and video for the duration of the declared emergency.
- R. The Executive Director is authorized to approve requests for extensions of time to take the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) in accordance with [A.A.C. R4-26-204 \(A\)\(3\) EXAMINATIONS](#) for at least 18 months from the date the declared emergency is lifted.
- S. The Executive Director is authorized to approve the following requests for extensions of time to process and complete application files for [psychologist](#) and [behavior analyst](#) applicants as indicated below:

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| Time to Respond to Notice of Application Deficiency – 240 Days pursuant to A.A.C. R4-26-208 | An additional 2 months beyond the lifting of the state of emergency or in the event of a disaster being declared. |
| Administrative Completeness Time Frame – 30 Days pursuant to A.A.C. R4-26-208 | An additional 30 days for Board staff to issue notices of administrative completeness. |
| Time to Respond to Request for Additional Information – 240 Days pursuant to A.A.C. R4-26-208 | An additional 60 days to this time frame following the lifting of the emergency. |
| Substantive Review Time Frame – 90 Days pursuant to A.A.C. R4-26-208 | An additional 60 days to this time frame following the lifting of the emergency. |