

SUPPLEMENTAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board") issued a Proclamation announcing that it would not enforce any statute, rule or regulation requiring physicians to personally examine patients prior to the issuance of a prescription or order for the administration of medication, including control substances, all in an effort to encourage the use of telemedicine during the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Board issued an Amended Proclamation clarifying that until action is taken to lift the emergency, out-of-state physicians may utilize telemedicine when treating patients in Mississippi with whom they already have a pre-existing doctor-patient relationship, without the necessity of securing a license to practice medicine in the state, provided the out of state physician holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the state in which the physician practices and currently is not the subject of an investigation or disciplinary proceeding and so advises the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the citizens of Mississippi may require the services of medical specialists, such as pulmonologists, nephrologists and other specialists from other states during the declared public health emergency, as determined by the Mississippi State Department of Health (hereinafter "MSDH"); and

WHEREAS, the Board concludes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the state of Mississippi to provide access to such medical specialists licensed in good standing in other states without delay.

NOW THEREFORE, effective immediately, the Board hereby waives any and all Mississippi licensing requirements for out of state physicians whose specialty services are determined to be necessary by MSDH, provided the out of state physician holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the state in which the physician practices and currently is not the subject of an investigation or disciplinary proceeding and so advises the Board.


FURTHER, except as clarified herein, the Proclamations of the Board issued on March 15, 2020 and March 24, 2020 shall remain in full force and effect.

FURTHER, except as specifically waived herein, all other regulations remain in full force and effect.

FURTHER, the Executive Director of the Board shall provide notice to all licensees at such time as the aforementioned proclamations have been lifted. Notice shall be provided by email and on the Board's website.

SO ORDERED AND APPROVED by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, this the 5th day of April, 2020.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

By:  _____
Kenneth Cleveland, M.D., Executive Director