<u>License Renewal Instructions to Physicians Licensed Through the</u> <u>Interstate Medical Licensure Compact ("Compact")</u>

For questions, call 410-764-4705, or 1-800-492-6836, ext. 4705, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Attention: The following instructions apply only to physicians who were issued an initial Maryland medical license through the Compact. If you need clarification on whether this applies to you, please check the licensure pathway listed on your practitioner profile. Your profile will show "Compact" as the licensure pathway.

Your Maryland-issued medical license through the Compact expires on September 30, 2025. The biennial license renewal period starts on **July 15, 2025**, **for physicians whose last name begins with the letters M – Z, and whose license expires on September 30 2025**.

Renewing your Maryland-issued Compact medical license involves a two-step process, requiring two separate payments: one to the Compact and one to the Maryland Board of Physicians (the "Board"). Compact licensees will not pay the Board's license renewal fee to the Compact during the first step. Instead, licensees will complete the Compact's application for license renewal and pay only a \$25.00 application processing fee to the Compact. The Board's license renewal fee of \$512.00 will be payable during the second step.

If you intend to maintain your Maryland licensure status as an active member of the Compact, you must complete the two-step process by applying for license renewal through both the Compact and the Board. Failure to complete one or both steps will result in either the expiration of your license or the withdrawal of your license from the Compact. *No action is required from you if you do not intend to renew your Maryland-issued medical license.*

Complete the following **two-step process** to renew your Maryland-issued medical license:

Step 1:

• Starting July 15, 2025, go to the Compact website at https://www.imlcc.com/renew to complete the Compact's application for renewal of medical licensure and pay the \$25.00 application processing fee. Payment may only be made online with a credit card.

<u>Note</u>: If you fail to complete step one, you will be giving the Board permission to withdraw your Maryland-issued medical license from the Compact. This means your Maryland-issued license will be redesignated as a Compact Conversion, and you will no longer be a participating member of the Compact through your Maryland license. The Board will update the licensure pathway to "Compact Conversion" on your practitioner profile on the Board's website.

Proceed to Step 2 immediately after completing Step 1. However, you cannot complete Step 1 after September 30, 2025.

Step 2:

- Go to the Board's website at www.mbp.state.md.us and select Renew My Physician
 License to log in and complete the Board's application for license renewal. The renewal fee of \$512.00 is payable online by Visa, MasterCard, or Discover credit cards.
- You can download and print your renewed license immediately after completion of the Board's application for license renewal.

Implicit Bias Requirement and CME-related Information

- If you are renewing your license for the *first* time in 2025, after initial licensure or reinstatement, you must attest that you have completed an implicit bias training course. For information and a list of approved training program courses, go to the Board's website and select <u>Implicit Bias Training Required for License Renewal.</u>
- You must attest that you have earned at least 50 Category I or II continuing medical education (CME) credits during the two years preceding the license expiration date, with at least 25 of those CME credits being Category I. For a full description of activities the Board accepts for CME credit, visit the Board's website and click on New Laws & Regulations/Regulations/Continuing Medical Education (10.32.01.10). The Board may select you for a CME audit to determine compliance with the regulations.
- Licensees applying for their **first** license renewal after initial licensure are exempt from the CME requirement.

Important Information on License Expiration:

- The Board will expire your license if you fail to complete the Board's application for license renewal (Step 2) by **11:59 p.m. (EST) on September 30, 2025**. If your Maryland license expires, *you will no longer be licensed to practice in Maryland.*
- If your license expires and you intend to practice in Maryland, you must apply to the Board for reinstatement and complete a new criminal history records check. *If you choose to reinstate your license, you will be reinstating the license in Maryland only, not the Compact.*
- Physicians who fail to renew their medical licenses are not authorized to practice medicine in Maryland. Any person practicing medicine without a license is subject to a civil fine of not more than \$50,000 to be levied by the Board (Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 14-601, 606).