

The novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) pandemic is rapidly evolving. Governor Bill Lee has called on all Tennesseans to work together to battle the spread of COVID-19, including employers and individuals. This is an unprecedented event, and therefore we ask for patience and understanding as we work to protect your health and safety, as well as the health and safety of the millions of Tennesseans we serve. We will do this, as well as, ensuring that we continue to fulfill our mission and provide excellent customer service.

In response to the rapidly evolving pandemic, on March 19, 2020, Governor Lee signed Executive Order No. 15 (“the Order”). The order provides the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce & Insurance (“the Department”) the discretion to reasonably extend the deadlines for obtaining the required education, continuing education, and in-service credits needed for the initial issuance and renewal of licenses, permits and certifications issued through the Division of Regulatory Boards.

For reference, please see the links below for resources regarding safety measures issued by the Tennessee Department of Health, the CDC, and the full text of the Institute’s “Coronavirus Q&A.” We hope you find this information helpful, and please let us know if you have additional questions.

Helpful Links:

State of Tennessee, Executive Order No. 15:

<https://publications.tnsosfiles.com/pub/execorders/exec-orders-lee15.pdf>

State of Tennessee, Executive Order No. 22:

<https://publications.tnsosfiles.com/pub/execorders/exec-orders-lee22.pdf>

Find updates issued by the CDC on the Commission website:

<https://www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/treac.html>

Tennessee Department of Health, Facility Visitor Guidance:

<https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/COVID-19-Facility-Visitor-Guidance.pdf>

CDC, Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers:

<https://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>

CDC, COVID-19 “What You Need To Know”:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>