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EMSA Authorization of Out-Of-State Medical Personnel

Important Reminder: Following the anticipated termination of California's COVID-19 State of Emergency on February 28, 2023, health care providers licensed out-of-state who received the Emergency Medical Services Authority's (EMSA) authorization to practice in the state without a license issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) will no longer be permitted to practice pursuant to that authorization after that date. Marriage and Family Therapists, Clinical Social Workers, Professional Clinical Counselors, and Educational Psychologists who have not received California licensure and wish to continue practicing, should view the BBS website, www.bbs.ca.gov/applicants, for information on how to obtain licensure in California and/or temporary licensure options.

Please note, individuals wishing to continue to practice in California should submit an application and the necessary documentation for licensure immediately as the EMSA out-of-state medical personnel authorization approval **concludes on February 28, 2023, and no further practice pursuant to that authorization will be permitted.**