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**Paramedic Reciprocity**

Dear Provisional EMS Clinician,

Thank you for becoming a provisionally licensed EMS clinician in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since March, we have added more than 900 provisional EMS clinicians to Maryland’s EMS workforce. On behalf of all Marylanders, we are grateful for the commitment and dedication of the skilled and compassionate people who have felt compelled to make their contributions.

We hope that you and all provisional clinicians will desire to remain part of Maryland’s EMS system. To that end, I want you to know about the potential for transitioning from provisional status to full licensure in Maryland. The requirements vary, depending on licensure level and the specific criteria by which an EMS clinician qualified for provisional status. The opportunity is now available.

Since you obtained your provisional Paramedic license via reciprocity, the requirements for you to transition to full licensure status are to:

- Submit an application to MIEMSS for full licensure;
- Provide documentation of current, active, non-provisional status as a registered National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician (NREMT) paramedic; and
- Successfully complete a MIEMSS-approved Protocol Review session within 180 days after the termination of the Governor’s proclamation of a state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency.

Further information about obtaining full licensure in Maryland may be found at [www.miemss.org](http://www.miemss.org) or by emailing licensure-support@miemss.org

If you do not pursue full licensure, your provisional status will expire 180 days after termination of the Governor’s proclamation of a state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency.

Maryland’s EMS system is fortunate to count you among its dedicated clinicians who answer more than one million calls for help each year. I hope you will want to remain engaged and begin the process toward full licensure.

Thank you.

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