



RN licensure: A guide to get licensed in Texas



Overview

eNLC	Yes
Temporary license	Yes
Walk through	No
Nursys participation	Yes

Fees

Endorsement application fee	\$150
Temporary license	No extra charge

Timing

Permanent license	3-4 weeks
Temporary license	1-2 weeks

Ensuring you or your providers become licensed registered nurses (RN) in Texas doesn't have to be an intimidating process. With the right planning and understanding of each step, it can be an exciting journey toward a rewarding career for your providers and growth for your organization. Our guide will walk you through the fees, timelines, renewal processes and key things to know to get an RN license in the Lone Star State.

License renewals

Cadence: Every 2 years during your birth month

If you were born in an even numbered year, your license will expire every two years during even years. If you were born in an odd numbered year, your license will expire every two years in odd numbered years.

Renewal fee

The fee to renew is \$68.

Required contact hours

Your first renewal does not require any continuing education hours. All renewals thereafter require 20 hours of continuing education.

You must renew your license within 60 days of your expiration date. If you don't, your license will lapse.

If you want to practice in Texas, you will be required to apply for reinstatement.

If you receive your initial credential over 6 months previously leading up to your renewal window, you are still required to renew your license and begin the two-year renewal cycle.

Renewals will be processed in approximately 15 business days.



Licensure by endorsement process

For a permanent license

1. **Complete the application for Licensure by Endorsement (online)**
2. **Pay the associated fees**

You now qualify for a temporary license and will need to complete the remaining tasks before the temporary license expires in order to receive a permanent license.

3. Fingerprints & Complete Background Check

- Your fingerprints can be done out of state, just ensure the location works with Texas and recognizes the code "119TF2"
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4. Wait 10 days after you have filed the endorsement application and then schedule to take the Texas Nursing Jurisprudence Exam (NJE). While you wait, prepare for the exam. It's recommended that you:

- View a copy of the Nursing Practice Act (NPA) and Board Rules and Regulations on our website.
 - Take the online jurisprudence prep course on the Board's web site. This course is voluntary and contains information about the NPA and Rules and Regulations of the Texas Board of Nursing.
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5. Verification of licensure from all states and countries in which the nurse has held a license.

- If the state(s) participate in Nursys, you must complete the Nursys verification process, pay their fee and designate Texas as the receipt of the verification.
- If the state(s) do not participate in Nursys, you must contact their state Boards directly for further instructions. You will need to send them the Verification of License form to complete and submit to the Texas Board of Nursing on your provider's behalf.



For a temporary license

Temporary permits are valid for 120 days.

Once all items have been received by the BON except the results of your fingerprints and the verification of license, you may be issued a provisional license.

Temporary licenses are issued once per lifetime and cannot be extended or renewed.

Two tips to know

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One application

There is no separate application for a Texas temporary license, the temporary and permanent licenses are both issued based on the same application.

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Validity of application

Your application is valid for 12 months. If incomplete after 12 months have passed, your application will be discarded and you must reapply and repay the application fee.

Evaluating which states to license in and finding your strategic advantage

Things to consider

When determining which states to pursue medical licensure in, it's essential to weigh the potential benefits against the complexity and cost of the process.

Texas offers a vast and diverse patient population and numerous professional opportunities. If you're aiming to position yourself in a competitive market with vast opportunities, the investment in a Texas license might prove advantageous in the long run.

Evaluate your long-term goals, available resources and timeframe to strategically choose your licensing paths.



Getting RN licensure in Texas is simplified with Medallion

If you and your providers are pursuing licensure as a Registered Nurse in Texas, you need more than just a step-by-step checklist: you need Medallion.

Medallion makes it easy to navigate the licensure process for healthcare professionals. We help keep you on track and compliant with all state-specific requirements and regulations.

With Medallion, obtaining your RN license becomes a streamlined process. We assist with the completion of necessary documentation, guide you through the application process, and provide resources

for continuing education requirements - all from one centralized platform.

Whether your provider is a local graduate, a nurse from another state seeking endorsement or a foreign-educated nurse, Medallion simplifies the complexities of obtaining an RN license in Texas on their behalf. Learn more and get in touch [here](#).

Remember to stay organized, be patient and always keep up-to-date with the Texas Board of Registered Nursing's latest guidelines. Good luck!

About Medallion

Medallion is the first solution built from the ground up to help healthcare organizations rise above regulatory complexity and offload their healthcare operations through a single, unified platform. By handling medical state licensure, payer contracting and enrollment, credentialing, ongoing monitoring and more, Medallion makes it faster, easier and less expensive for our partners to operate. We evolve operations, so healthcare organizations and their providers are free to evolve care.

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