

Board of Nursing

Larry Hogan, Governor · Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor · Dennis R. Schrader, Secretary

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Dear License and Certificate Holders,

Over the weekend, a security incident involving the Maryland Department of Health's (MDH) information technology systems was discovered. Out of an abundance of caution, most MDH servers are currently offline. There is no evidence at this time that any data has been compromised. However, the Maryland Board of Nursing is not able to access or utilize any of its information technology systems. As a result, the Board cannot complete any licensing or certification transactions, including, but not limited to, issuing new licenses or certifications and renewing existing licenses and certifications. In addition, the Board currently does not have the ability to access licensee or certificate holder profiles to provide application status information

For those who have recently submitted electronic applications for licensure or certification (either initial, endorsement, or renewal), there is no need to resubmit your application, as that data is being stored and will be processed in the order it was received as soon as the network security incident is resolved. Constituents who wish to drop off documents, including paper applications for licensure and certification, at the Board's physical location may continue to do so, but only during normal business hours (8:30 am - 4:30 pm daily, except on Wednesdays when business hours are 9:30 am - 4:30 pm).

The Maryland Department of Health is working diligently to resolve this issue as quickly as possible. In the meantime, the Board appreciates your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

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