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> To: All BSAS Licensees

From: Deirdre Calvert, LICSW, Director of the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services

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License Expiration and Renewal Deadline Re:

The purpose of this memo is to provide guidance to all substance use disorder providers issued licenses pursuant to 105 CMR 164.000, and Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADC) issued licenses pursuant to 105 CMR 168.000, regarding the rescission of COVID-19 Order No. 9 which automatically extended the expiration dates of these licenses.

On March 18, 2020, COVID-19 Order No. 9 was issued, which provided for the automatic extension of all licenses issued by BSAS.

On June 26, 2020, COVID-19 Order No. 41 was issued, which rescinded Executive Order #9.

License Expiration and Renewal Deadline

Therefore, pursuant to COVID-19 Order No. 41, all licenses issued pursuant to 105 CMR 164 and 105 CMR 168 will automatically expire on December 31, 2020 unless you have already initiated the process of renewing your license. For all other Licensees, you must submit your license renewal application at least 60 days before this expiration date, by November 1, 2020.

This expiration/renewal deadline applies only to licenses that are in good standing, and does not apply to any license that has been revoked, cancelled, suspended, or surrendered. This shall not be applied in a manner that would lift any probation conditions, non-disciplinary conditions or restrictions, or Deficiency Correction Orders currently imposed by BSAS.

For further details on submitting a license renewal application, please see BSAS' webpage for LADC and Substance Use Disorder Treatment Program Licensing.

¹ No action is required by any licensee who has already initiated the renewal process. The renewal will be processed in the normal course.

Contact Information for Questions

For any questions regarding program licensing, please contact Ryan Walker, BSAS Assistant Director of Licensing, at ryan.walker3@mass.gov, or contact your regional licensing inspector.

For any questions regarding LADC licensing, please contact Ian Bain, BSAS LADC Coordinator, at ian.bain@mass.gov.