

**Important Information for Dentists, Dental Hygienists, and Dental
Radiation Technologists**

DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS

**THE LICENSE RENEWAL PERIOD HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH
AUGUST 16, 2021**

**Summary of the Provisions of
Order of the Governor of the State of Maryland
No. 21-06-15-01
June 15, 2021**

If you are a dentist, or a dental hygienist who was scheduled to renew your dental or dental hygiene license by June 30, 2021, and you have renewed your license, you may disregard this notice.

If you are a dentist or a dental hygienist who was scheduled to renew your dental or dental hygiene license on or before June 30, 2021, and you have not renewed your license, by Executive Order your license renewal is now due on or before August 16, 2021. (The Governor's Order states August 15, 2021, but the Board has extended the date through August 16, 2021 since August 15, 2021 falls on a Sunday). If you do not renew your license by August 16, 2021, you are subject to late fees, reinstatement fees, and possible disciplinary action.

On June 15, 2021, Governor Larry Hogan issued an Executive Order titled "Terminating Various Emergency Orders." The Order states in relevant part:

II. Termination of Certain Orders, Effective August 15, 2021. Each of the orders listed below in this section II shall be rescinded and of no further effect as of 11:59 p.m. on August 15, 2021:

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n. the order of the Governor of the State of Maryland number 21-03-09-03, entitled "Amending and Restating the Order of June 19, 2020, Extending Certain Licenses, Permits, Registrations, and other Governmental Authorizations, and Authorizing, and Authorizing Suspension of Legal Time Requirements."

As a result, dentists and dental hygienists scheduled to renew their licenses by June 30, 2021, have through August 16, 2021 (August 15, 2021 is a Sunday) to renew their license.

Please keep the following in mind:

The last day in which you may renew your license without any additional fees or actions is August 16, 2021.

The late period for renewal extends from August 17, 2021 through September 15, 2021, and will be subject to the renewal fee and late fee.

Beginning on September 16, 2021, you will be considered to be practicing without a license, and you must apply to reinstate your license, and pay the applicable fees. You may be subject to administrative action for practicing dentistry or dental hygiene without a license.

See, Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.44.10.

**DENTAL RADIATION TECHNOLOGISTS SCHEDULED TO RENEW THEIR
DENTAL RADIATION TECHNOLOGIST CERTIFICATE ON OR BEFORE
APRIL 1, 2021**

Governor Hogan's June 15, 2021 Order described above, also applies to dental radiation technologists. If you are a dental radiation technologist with a certificate that was scheduled to be renewed on or before April 1, 2021, and you have not already renewed your certificate, the renewal date has been extended through August 16, 2021.

If you do not do so, you are subject to late fees, reinstatement fees, and possible disciplinary action, including criminal charges for practicing dentistry without a license.

Please keep the following in mind:

The last day in which you may renew your certificate without any additional fees or actions is August 16, 2021.

The late period for renewal extends from August 17, 2021 through September 15, 2021. During this period, you are required to pay both the renewal fee and late fee.

Beginning on September 16, 2021, you will be considered to be practicing without a certificate, and you must apply to reinstate your certificate, and pay the applicable fees. You may be subject to administrative action, and in addition, criminal charges for practicing dentistry without a license.

See, Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.44.19.

If you are a dentist and have any questions, please contact Ms. Debbie Welch, Dentist Licensing Coordinator at 410-402-8511. If you are a dental hygienist, you may contact Ms. Sandy Sage, Dental Hygienist Licensing Coordinator at

410-402-8510. If you are a dental radiation technologist, please contact Ms. Debbie Wurster at 410-402-8509.