COVID-19 Emergency Licensing for Internationally Trained Healthcare Workers
Colorado State Portal and Application Process

On April 15, 2020, Governor Polis issued an executive order allowing individuals with international training and experience to secure temporary licensing to expand the health care workforce of the state. Executive Order 2020-38 requires the director of the state’s licensing department to promulgate temporary emergency rules that authorize candidates in several license categories to treat patients based on the candidate’s education, training, and experience.

Eligibility
As per the Emergency Rules adopted in accordance with Executive Order 2020-38, international medical graduates (IMGs) who have completed a minimum of one year of postgraduate training or practice outside the United States can apply for a temporary medical license in Colorado.

How to apply for temporary licensure in Colorado
These are the steps to apply for a temporary license in Colorado for internationally trained healthcare professionals to join the fight against COVID-19:

1) Follow this link and create an account
2) Select “Apply for a New License”
3) Once an account is created, choose “Temporary Healthcare Applications”
4) In the temporary licenses category, choose “Temporary Physician”

Additional information
Licenses are available on a temporary basis as a result of Executive Order 2020-38 and may be discontinued prior to the license expiration date. Licenses have an expiration date of 12/31/2020 but may be canceled prior to that date if it is determined that the temporary license is no longer needed. In addition, license expiration dates may be extended if deemed necessary. Licenses are non-renewable.