

# The Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact

Nursing licensure took a bold step forward on July 20, 2017, when the 26th state needed for enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) enactment signed its legislation into law. Florida is one of the member states of the eNLC, and is pleased to provide this informational guide regarding the history, requirements, and benefits of licensure under the eNLC.

## What is it?

The enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact allows a Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse who



is licensed in a Compact state to practice across state lines in another Compact state without having to obtain a license in the other state.



## When does it start?

Beginning January 19, 2018, Florida will issue a multi-state license to new applicants who meet the Compact licensure requirements.

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## What states are included in the eNLC?



If you have an eNLC multi-state license, you can only practice in designated states. For a list of designated states and up-to-date eNLC membership information, please visit <https://www.nursecompact.com/index.htm#map>.



## What are the benefits of having a license under the eNLC?

Licensure through the eNLC gives nurses the ability to practice in multiple states with one license. This reduces regulatory requirements by eliminating the need to obtain a license in each state a nurse may desire to practice his/her profession.



## Can a current Florida license be changed to a license under the eNLC?

Yes. Starting January 19, 2018, Florida Registered Nurses (RN) and Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN) are eligible to convert their current license to a multi-state license.



## Are all nursing professions eligible?

Only RNs and LPNs are eligible for a multi-state license under the eNLC.



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For more information regarding the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact, please visit the Florida Board of Nursing web page at <http://floridasnursing.gov>

To review the eNLC law in Florida, please visit the following link: [s. 464.0095, Florida Statutes](#)