

## Inactive Status of License

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Needless to say we are navigating a journey that is unprecedented in our times and is challenging us on a global level.

Your NJ Government Relations Committee has been working in cooperation with our lobbyist and our national office to stay current on changes affecting the practice of Massage Therapy on your behalf, and to provide you with pertinent information.

As we approach our renewal period, we know that some members may choose not to renew because of the inability to practice as impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. For this reason, your Government Relations Committee wants to provide you with some information as a reminder of the rules of our License. It is important to give thoughtful consideration to the status of your license and choose your path for renewal.

Most importantly, we recommend that you **NOT let your license lapse**. It is recommended that you **place your license on "inactive status"** so that should you resume your practice when you feel safe to do so, your reactivation will be seamless. When a license is lapsed, there are more fees and potentially CE's that will be required for you to reactive your license.

Please visit the [NJ State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy website](#) and click "Laws and Regulations" for a complete copy of the Statute and Rules governing your license.

We would like to draw your attention to the following sections of **N.J.A.C.13:37A** for your considerations:

- 1. 13:37A-2.3 RENEWAL OF LICENSE**

- f) A licensee who fails to submit a renewal application within 30 days

of license expiration shall have his or her license suspended without a hearing.

**2. 13:37A-2.4 LINCENSE REACTIVATION**

a) A licensee who holds an inactive license pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:37A-2.3(d) may apply to the Board for reactivation of an inactive license. A licensee seeking reactivation of an inactive license shall submit:

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1. The activation renewal fee set forth in N.J.A.C 13:37A-7.1; and
2. Evidence of having completed all continuing education credits for the biennial registration period, consistent with the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C 13:37A-4.1.

**3. 13:37A-7.1 FEE SCHEDULE**

Inactive license fee.....\$60.00

In addition, we would like to provide you with useful information sent out by our lobbyist with regard to "Which businesses may be open and what guidelines must be followed?"

During the July 27, 2020 Governor's briefing, it was announced that *Additional Rental Assistance to Small Businesses* will be available starting August 10, 2020 at [www.njra.us](http://www.njra.us). Financial assistance up to \$10,000 can be accessed through applications submitted online only.

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