

## About

Pursuant to Act No. [34](#) of 2025, the Pharmacy Act has been amended to allow the State Board of Pharmacy to waive certain requirements and issue a temporary provisional endorsement license under Act 41 of 2019 to pharmacists licensed and in good standing in another state. An applicant seeking licensure pursuant to Act No. [34](#) of 2025 will not be required to demonstrate substantial equivalency of licensure requirements in their current state of licensure or demonstrate experience for two of the last five years. These licenses will allow a pharmacist licensed in another state to apply for and, after a determination of eligibility, receive a temporary license by endorsement to practice in Pennsylvania without having to take the MPJE examination. The act was signed into law on July 7, 2025 and is effective for 180 days at which point all temporary provisional endorsement licenses will expire. The temporary provisional license may not be renewed or extended.

An applicant must submit to the Board an application for licensure as a pharmacist. They must complete and upload to the application a [Temporary Provisional License by Endorsement form](#), located on the Board website. To be eligible for a Temporary Provisional License by Endorsement, the applicant is required to complete all other administrative requirements for licensure, including but not limited to providing a report from the National Practitioner's Databank Report, completing a fingerprint-based FBI background check, completing child abuse continuing education as required under Act 31 of 2014, and paying an application fee.

Once the application is submitted, staff will review the application and, if the applicant meets all requirements, the Board will issue an Order granting the provisional license. All temporary provisional licenses by endorsement issued pursuant to Act No. [34](#) of 2025 will end on January 2, 2026. Upon expiration of the license, those pharmacists licensed pursuant to Act No. [34](#) of 2025 will be unable to practice in Pennsylvania until such time as the holder demonstrates they meet the standard requirements for licensure or is otherwise eligible for a license by endorsement.

## How to Apply:

1. Navigate to the PALS website <https://www.pals.pa.gov> and register for a new account.
2. Once logged into the account, click the green tile titled "Apply for New License."
3. Select "State Board of Pharmacy" under Board/Commission followed by "Pharmacist" under License Type.
4. Select "Reciprocity" under Obtained By and then click the blue "Next" button.
5. All fields of the application must be completed to submit the application to the Board.
6. Although you are not required to obtain a reciprocal licensure application from the NABP to be considered for a Temporary Provisional License by Endorsement, you must answer "YES" to the question "*Have you obtained a reciprocal licensure application from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy?*"
7. Upon selecting "YES" to this question, you must upload the completed Temporary Provisional License by Endorsement form available on the board website <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dos/departments-and-offices/bpoa/boards-commissions/pharmacy.html> in lieu of the reciprocal license application from the NABP.

8. Complete the remaining portions of the application by answering all questions and uploading any necessary documents, where required.
9. Click the blue “next” button to proceed to the checklist documents page, where you will be required to upload a current Databank Report, any Letters of Good Standing, and a copy of your confirmation receipt for your FBI background check fingerprinting.
10. Click the blue “next” button to review your application and add to the shopping cart.
11. Pay the required \$45 application fee by selecting the box next to the fee item, clicking the box acknowledging all fees are non-refundable, and then clicking the green “Proceed to Payment” button.
5. Once the application is complete and submitted to the Board, Board staff will review the application.
6. Upon determining eligibility, the Board will issue an order outlining the terms of the temporary provisional endorsement license.
7. All temporary provisional endorsement licenses issued by the Board will expire on January 2, 2026, and may not be extended or renewed.

### **Application Requirements**

Letter of Good Standing from Jurisdictions in which you are licensed

National Practitioners Databank Report

3 Hours of Child Abuse Credit pursuant to Act 31 of 2014

Fingerprint-based FBI Background Check

Completed Board Act No. [34](#) of 2025 Temporary Provisional Endorsement License form available [here](#).

Payment of Application Fee (\$45.00)