



**COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**

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TO ALL INSURERS AUTHORIZED TO WRITE MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS, AND HEALTH INSURERS.

EXTENSION OF EXPIRATION DATE FOR CERTIFICATION OF GOOD-STANDING OR VERIFICATION OF DENTAL LICENSE

Dear Sirs and Madams:

The Puerto Rico Board of Dental Examiners has informed us that due to some issues that have arisen with regard to the mechanized license system, the Board has decided to extend the expiration date for certification of good standing or verification of dental licenses for dentists whose expiration dates are between July 15, 2013 and November 15, 2013. Companies may require verification of licenses after November 15, 2013. However, this does not release professionals from the obligation to have an active license at the time of renewal of their contracts.

Insurers who write medical and hospital professional liability insurance shall take note of this situation so that the process of issuing policies for this kind of insurance is not affected, since this insurance is necessary for complying with the requirement of financial responsibility for the practice of medicine in Puerto Rico, set forth in Section 41.050 of the Puerto Rico Insurance Code, 26 L.P.R.A. sec. 4105.

Likewise, health services organizations and insurers who write health insurance shall take note so that the process of contracting providers or the services provided to subscribers or beneficiaries of health insurance are not affected.

If you have any questions about the details of this information, you may contact the Puerto Rico Board of Dental Examiners at 787-999-8989, ext. 6581.

Very truly yours,

SIGNED

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