



State of New Jersey
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
PO BOX 360
TRENTON, N.J. 08625-0360
www.nj.gov/health

PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Lt. Governor

JUDITH M. PERSICILLI, RN, BSN, MA
Commissioner

March 26, 2020

TO: Certified Nurse Aides
Long-term Care Facility Administrators

FROM: Judith M. Persichilli, R.N., B.S.N., M.A.
Commissioner

SUBJECT: Extension of Certified Nurse Aide's Certification

Due to the closure of PSI, the company contracted by the Department of Health (DOH) to process the recertification of certified nurse aides (CNAs), due to the Coronavirus 2019 Disease ("COVID-19") DOH is waiving the provisions of N.J.A.C. 8:39-43.6(a) which requires recertification for CNAs on a two year cycle. DOH is extending CNA certifications as follows:

1. All Certified Nurse Aides with certifications expiring between March 1, 2020 and May 31, 2020 shall be extended for 90 days from the date of expiration. For example, a certification expiring March 1, 2020 will now expire May 31, 2020.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Ms. Jean DeVitto, Executive Director, Certificate of Need and Healthcare Facility Licensure Program at jean.devitto@doh.nj.gov.

Handwritten signature of Judith M. Persichilli in blue ink, written in a cursive style. Below the signature is a horizontal line.