



**Please Support SB24-018 PA License Compact
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What is a Licensure Compact?

It is an interstate occupational licensure compact for various professions. In this case, PAs. Interstate compacts are constitutionally authorized, legally binding, and legislatively enacted contracts among participating states. A licensure compact is administered by a Compact Commission.

A Compact Commission is an interstate government agency comprised of delegates from Compact member states. Licensure Compacts also create a licensure data system to improve information sharing between Compact member states, including disciplinary information.

States joining the Compact agree to recognize a valid, unencumbered license issued by another Compact member state via a Compact privilege. PAs using a Compact privilege to practice in another state must adhere to laws and regulations of practice in that state and are under the jurisdiction of the state's regulatory board in which they are practicing.

What will SB24-018 do?

Adopting the PA Compact license will allow licensed PAs to practice in states that join the Compact. The Compact privilege allows PAs to provide medical services and other licensed activities to a patient in Colorado and other Compact states.

What are the benefits for Regulators?

- Reduces application processing time. Facilitates cross-state licensure board cooperation on investigations and disputes. Enhances public safety through a shared data system.
- Allows states to charge a fee for a Compact privilege/license and renewal in that state.
- Preserves the current state-based licensure system.

How does this benefit Colorado?

- Promotes workforce development and strengthens labor markets.
- Expands consumer access to highly qualified practitioners.
- Ensures equitable care for patients.
- Expands medical practice and hospital system access to new markets.
- Upholds Colorado laws and Rules pertaining to PAs
- Increases collaboration among states.
- Facilitates practitioner mobility during public health emergencies.

Other Established Successful Colorado Health Care Professional Interstate Compacts Include:

- Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (24-60-3601 C.R.S)
- Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact (24-60-3701 C.R.S)
- Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (24-60-3801 C.R.S)
- Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (24-60-3901 C.R.S)
- Occupational Therapy Licensure Interstate Compact (24-60-4101 C.R.S) (not yet active)
- Audiology and Speech-language Pathology Interstate Compact (24-60-4201 C.R.S) (not yet active)
- Interstate Licensed Professional Counselors Compact (24-60-4301 C.R.S) (not yet active)

States that have a PA Compact

Wisconsin
Utah
Delaware

States that have filed Legislation

Washington
Nebraska
Ohio
Virginia
New York
Maine
Vermont
New Hampshire
Maine
Michigan

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