



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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Dear Colleagues,

Based upon [new guidance from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration](#) (FMCSA), medical certificate waivers for Commercial Driver Licenses (CDL) expiring on or after Sept. 1, 2020, have been extended to Feb. 28, 2021.

The waiver *does not apply* to CDL drivers whose medical certificates expired between March 1, and Aug. 31, 2020. **CDL holders with a medical certificate that expired prior to Sept. 1, 2020, must submit a valid medical certificate by Dec. 31, 2020**, or risk having their privileges downgraded and they will be unable to drive for commercial purposes.

**To submit a valid medical certificate, CDL licensed drivers should visit [Michigan.gov/CDL](https://Michigan.gov/CDL) and select to [view current CDL certification and expiration date](#) from the list of options.** This will update their credentials in real time.

Drivers who submit their certificate by mail or fax are reminded that their credentials will not be updated immediately upon receipt and may result in impacts to their driving privileges.

We appreciate your assistance passing this information on to your members. For additional information on federal waivers, visit [FMCSA.dot.gov/COVID-19](https://FMCSA.dot.gov/COVID-19).

Thank you.

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