Dear Licensing Partner,

As many of you are already aware, the Bureau of Professional Licensing (BPL) within the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) is moving to a new online licensing and regulatory database for health and occupational professionals, called Michigan Professional Licensing User System (MiPLUS).

The tentative launch date for Phase 3a of the new system has been MOVED TO AUGUST 25, 2020. The tentative launch date was July 28, 2020

The delay is not due to any problems with the system, in fact testing is going very well. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19, testing is being done remotely which is more time consuming. That combined with employee furlough days, that impact the hours we can spend on the project, has understandably slowed testing.

This phase involves the 12 professions listed in the **REVISED** <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)</u>. In order to allow time for migration of current licensing records into the new system, our office will be unable to process license applications, license renewals, or changes to licenses **now between August 3**, **2020 and August 25**, **2020**, for these professions only. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

The attached **REVISED** FAQ document provides answers to questions regarding the conversion to the new system. If you have additional questions or concerns regarding the transition, please do not hesitate to contact us at 517-241-0199 or email BPLHELP@michigan.gov.

One critical item to note is to encourage your members not attempt to create or register for a MiPLUS account until **now after August 25, 2020**. Doing so will negatively impact their ability to interact with the system as it will require that they contact our office to correct their account.

As we get closer to the launch date, we will be posting additional information specific to your profession on our MiPLUS website (www.michigan.gov/miplus).

Again, thank you for your partnership over the years as we work together to make Michigan's system of professional licensing a model for other states.