

A Guide for Nurses: 2018 Enhanced Nurse License Compact

What is the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC)?

The Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) allows nurses to care for patients across state lines and in other eNLC states without getting additional single state licenses. This multistate license makes it easier for nurses to work across multiple locations under one license.



I already have an NLC license. Is that the same thing?

The eNLC replaces the existing NLC and adds additional protections. Nurses with an original NLC multistate license will be grandfathered into the new eNLC as long as the license state has adopted the eNLC. There are four states that have not adopted the new eNLC, which means NLC licenses from those four states will not be valid in eNLC states. For details, click [here](#).



What if I want to get a new eNLC license?

New applicants for a multistate nursing license will need to meet certain “uniform license requirements” to get an eNLC license. If you’re not eligible for an eNLC license, you may still be able to get a single state license.

Click to view the specific requirements.

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When will these multistate nursing license changes happen?

The implementation date for the eNLC will be Friday, January 19, 2018. This was set by the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators. This is the date when nurses with an eNLC license may start practicing in eNLC states.

Want to learn more?

Click below for more information on the eNLC and multistate licensure.

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What states are included in the eNLC multistate nursing license?

27 states are currently members of the eNLC.

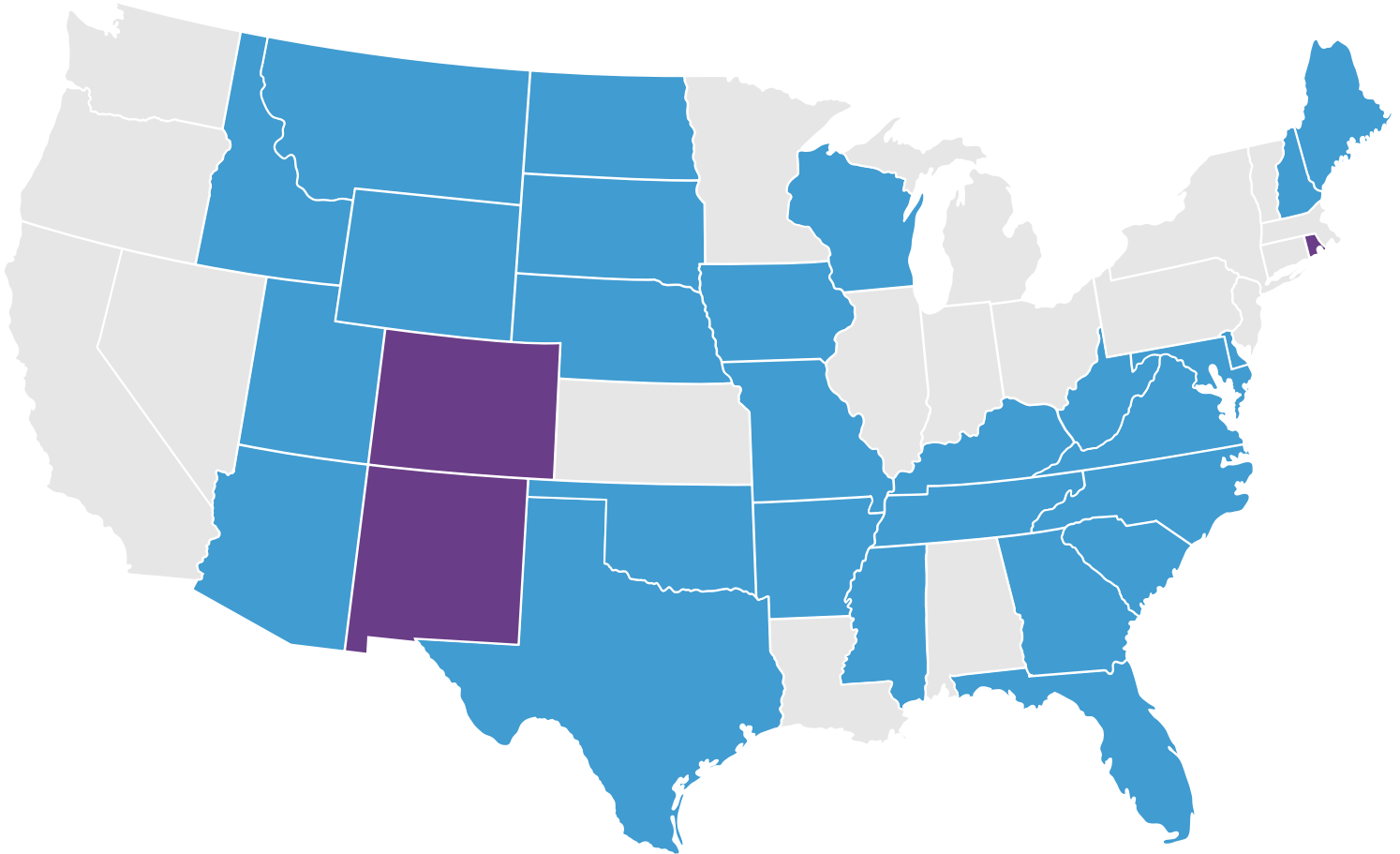
A nurse with a license from any of those 26 states will be able to work in the other states in the eNLC.

3 states have not adopted the new eNLC.

Those states will remain in the old NLC and a nurse with a license from one of those states will only be able to work in those 3 states.


20 other states are not a part of the eNLC or the old NLC.


Nurses with a license from one of those states will need to apply for a new license in every state they wish to practice in.



Map Key

 New eNLC

 Old eNLC

 No Compact