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## **IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE MCSR RENEWAL PROCESS**

Dear Physician:

[Section 9 of chapter 260 of the acts of 2020](#) requires the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Drug Control Program (DCP) to synchronize the term and expiration date of your Massachusetts Controlled Substance Registration (MCSR) with your Board issued Physician License. For physicians this means the next time you renew your MCSR, if you have a full physician license it will now have a term of 2 years instead of 3 years and will be synchronized with the expiration date of your Physician License.

To implement this requirement, the next time you renew your MCSR it will have a term of at least 2 years and expire on the same day as your physician license.

As set forth in the Executive Office of Administration and Finance's rate regulation, 801 CMR 4.02, the fee for MCSR registration and renewal is \$150 annually. Therefore, the cost of a two-year MCSR will be \$300.

**If you have a limited physician license the MCSR will be synchronized with the expiration date of your limited physician license.**

You will now renew your MCSR on-line through the Health Professions Licensing portal. You will be receiving registration instructions and a link to the DPH eLicensing system via email.