

§ 3605-b. Registration of licensed home care services agencies. 1. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no licensed home care services agency (LHCSA) licensed pursuant to section thirty-six hundred five of this article shall be operated, provide nursing services, home health aide services, or personal care services, or receive reimbursement from any source for the provision of such services during any period of time on or after January first, two thousand nineteen, unless it has registered with the commissioner in a manner prescribed by the department.

(b) A LHCSA that fails to submit a complete and accurate set of all required registration materials by the deadline established by the commissioner shall be required to pay a fee of five hundred dollars for each month or part thereof that the LHCSA is in default. A LHCSA that failed to register in the prior year by the deadline of the current year shall not be permitted to register for the upcoming registration period unless it submits any unpaid late fees.

(c) The department shall post on its public website a list of all LHCSAs, which shall indicate the current registration status of each LHCSA.

(d) The department shall institute proceedings to revoke the license of any LHCSA that fails to register for two annual registration periods, whether or not such periods are consecutive. The department shall have the discretion to pursue revocation of the license of a LHCSA on grounds that it evidences a pattern of late registration over the course of multiple years.