Navigating the Nurse Licensure Compact: Licensure by Endorsement

When declaring a new primary state of residence (PSOR) or obtaining a license in another state:

Is your new primary state of residence (PSOR) a member of the Nurse Licensure Compact?

- **No**
  - Apply for licensure in the desired state.
  - You may not practice in a non-compact state until you receive a temporary or permanent license.
  - You may hold multiple licenses for non-compact states.

- **Yes**
  - Apply for RN or LPN license in your new primary state of residence.
  - Was your previous PSOR a compact state?
    - **Yes**
      - Apply for an RN or LPN license in your new primary state of residence.
      - Your new single state license is valid for practice only in the state of issuance.
      - Upon establishing residency you may continue to practice in the new state with the former state multistate license only until the multistate license in the new PSOR is issued.
      - Your former license will be inactivated upon receipt of a new home state license.
    - **No**
      - You may hold one multistate RN or LPN license but may hold multiple non-compact state licenses.
      - Your new multistate license grants the privilege to practice in all NLC states contingent upon remaining a resident of the issuing state.