

## IMPORTANT RENEWAL INFORMATION NOTICE

### 2010 LIFE, HEALTH & ACCIDENT LICENSE RENEWALS

Effective April 1, 2009, the Louisiana Department of Insurance is converting the renewal dates for all producer licenses to renew during the producer's birth month.

We are beginning this process April 1, 2009, with any producer who holds a Life, Health & Accident license type and whose birth month is May.

The department now has available online renewals for ALL Life, Health & Accident individual producers, resident and nonresident licensees. All producers will be given two months to renew their license: the month before their birth month and their birth month.

Because the National Insurance Producer Registry (NIPR) online renewal program is changing to a new computer server during the months of April and May, NIPR's online renewal system will be unavailable. During NIPR's unavailability these two months, Louisiana's non-resident licensees must use the Louisiana Department of Insurance's online renewal process.

At this time, resident and nonresident individual licensees who hold a Louisiana Life, Health & Accident license and whose birth month is May must go to the Department of Insurance Web site at [www.ldi.state.la.us](http://www.ldi.state.la.us). Licensees may utilize the online renewal process found in the Producer section at <http://www.ldi.state.la.us/Producers/BirthMonthRenewals.htm> or print forms for mail in.

**Renewal procedures for firms have not been changed** and will remain the same. Paper renewals for firms will be mailed out November 1, 2009, and due by January 1, 2010, to avoid the \$50 late fee.

Because some renewals are occurring as much as a year earlier than normal during this renewal cycle for health and accident type licenses, under the authority of LSA-R.S. 22:1547(E), Commissioner of Insurance James J. Donelon has waived the equivalent of one year's portion of required continuing education hours. For this initial birthday renewal cycle only, all Life, Health & Accident licensees are required to obtain eight (8) hours of C.E., which may include classroom, correspondence, a combination of both, and/or carry-over hours which can also come from classroom or correspondence. This reduction in the number of continuing education hours required at renewal is a one-time decrease. Subsequent renewals must meet the requirements of LSA-R.S. 22:1573(C).

If you have any questions, please contact the Licensing Division at (225) 342-0860.