

DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Pete Ricketts, Governor

## **Initial License Fee Waiver:**

Beginning January 1, 2020, the initial licensure fee will be waived for applicants of licenses issued under the Uniform Credentialing Act who are:

1) A Young Worker (between the ages of 18 – 25 (or, 17 – 25 if licensed under the Cosmetology Practice Act));

2) Military Family (active duty service members, military spouses, honorably discharged veterans, spouses of honorably discharged veterans, and un-remarried surviving spouses of deceased service members); and,

3) Low-Income (enrolled in a state or federal public assistant program like SNAP, TANF, etc or whose household <u>adjusted gross income is below 130% of the federal income poverty</u> <u>guideline</u>).

## What Will This Not Affect?

This change in statute will not waive the fee for criminal background checks for those professions that require one. It will not waive the fee required for renewal or reinstatement of licensure, even if the licensee could be classified as a young worker, military family, or low-income. The law will not waive the Patient Safety fee required of physicians, osteopathic physicians, or physician assistants.

There is a fee waiver available for active duty military personnel for renewal listed under a separate statute.