



# **MQA Search Services and Data Download User Guide**

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## 1. Introduction to the Division of Medical Quality Assurance's Data

The Florida Department of Health Division of Medical Quality Assurance provides licensure and healthcare practitioner data to the public through the Search Services website and the Data Download Portal. Search Services is tailored to members of the public that are seeking to locate specific information pertaining to healthcare professionals, while the Data Download Portal provides large data sets that are best suited for business or research purposes.

## 2. MQA's Search Services

[MQA's Search Services](#) provides a centralized platform for accessing information on healthcare professionals licensed by the Florida Department of Health. This tool enables users to verify licensure, review disciplinary actions, and access a range of public records, supporting transparency and informed decision-making.

The search portal is designed to facilitate efficient searches and provide accurate, up-to-date information. Users are encouraged to utilize the platform's features to meet their specific informational requirements.

### 2.1 Home

Search Services portal provides public access to data on healthcare practitioners and facilities in Florida. Users can search for license verifications, practitioner profiles, disciplinary actions, and administrative data for various healthcare roles and establishments. It serves to ensure transparency and accessibility of information related to the professional standards and disciplinary history of healthcare providers across the state.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Medical Quality Assurance Search Services. At the top, there is a teal navigation bar with the Florida Department of Health logo on the left and links for 'Department of Health', 'FLHealthSource.gov', 'Public Data Portal', 'New Licensed Health Care Practitioners', 'Search Home', and 'Site Help' on the right. Below the navigation bar, the main heading reads 'Welcome to Medical Quality Assurance Search Services'. A search prompt 'What are you looking for?' is followed by a vertical list of seven teal buttons: 'License Verification', 'Practitioner Profile', 'Discipline & Admin Actions', 'Nursing Education Programs', 'Prescription Pad Vendors', 'Medical Marijuana Qualified Physician', and 'New Licensed Health Care Practitioners and Facilities'. Below the buttons, there is a red 'Important Message - PLEASE READ:' followed by a paragraph of text: 'We like our visitors to have the best possible experience on the web when using our site. In order for our site to work efficiently and effectively on all web browsers it is important that the browser used remains updated to current standards.' At the bottom, another paragraph states: 'We support Microsoft Internet Explorer 10+, Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome and any other modern web browser compatible with HTML5 and CSS3.'

### 2.2 License Verification

Users can use the [License Verification](#) search feature to confirm the licensure status of practitioners (e.g., doctors, nurses, paramedics) and establishments (e.g., pharmacies,

massage establishments) to ensure they are authorized to operate in Florida. In addition to Board and Profession, users can also search by license number, name, city, county, and zip code.

Users of Search Services License Verification can search “All Statuses”, “Practicing Statuses”, or “Non-Practicing Statuses.” From the Results page, users can select individual licensees and see additional license information as well as address of record, and whether the licensee has discipline on file or any public complaints. The results can be exported in a CSV file.

The screenshot shows the 'License Verification' search form on the Department of Health website. The form includes the following fields and options:

- Board/Council: -- Any --
- Profession: -- Any --
- License Number: Text input field with instructions: "Enter License Prefix and License Number with no spaces, leading zeros or colons. Example: ME99999 or ME069999."
- Business Name: Text input field with instructions: "Enter Business Name for Establishments or Last Name for Practitioner"
- Last Name: Text input field
- First Name: Text input field
- City: Text input field
- County: -- Any --
- Zip Code: Text input field
- License Status: All statuses

Buttons for 'Search' and 'Reset' are located at the bottom of the form.

### 2.3 Practitioner Profile

The Practitioner Profile summarizes data submitted by the practitioner. This data has not been verified by the Department unless otherwise indicated.

[MQA's Search Services Practitioner Profile Search](#) is typically used to find additional information about a specific practitioner or a group of similar practitioners. In addition to Board and Profession, users can also search by specialty or certification, license number, name, city, county, and zip code. From the Results page, users can select individual licensees and see additional profile information about that specific practitioner. The results can be exported in a CSV file.

Only the following professions are required to report profile data to DOH:

- Medical Doctors
- Osteopathic Physicians
- Podiatric Physicians
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
- Chiropractic Physicians.

The data required to be provided by the practitioner includes:

- Practitioner's education and training, including other health related degrees, professional and post graduate training specialty
- Practitioner's current practice and mailing addresses
- Practitioner's staff privileges and faculty appointments

- Practitioner's reported financial responsibility
- Legal actions taken against the practitioner
- Board final disciplinary action taken against the practitioner
- Any liability claims filed against podiatric physicians which exceed \$5,000
- Any liability claims filed against allopathic and osteopathic physicians which exceed \$100,000.

The data provided may also include optional information such as committees, memberships, and publications.

**Practitioner Profile Search**  
 Complete one or more search fields.  
 (Use fewer fields to produce more results: [See Search Help](#))

Board/Council: -- Any --  
 Profession: -- Any --  
 Specialty/Certification: -- Any --  
 Other Specialty:   
 License Number:   
 Enter License Number without prefix. No spaces, leading zeroes or colons. Example: 99999 or 69999.  
 Last Name:   
 First Name:   
 City:   
 County: -- Any --  
 Zip Code:

## 2.4 Discipline and Administrative Actions

The [Discipline and Administrative Actions](#) search platform provides access to records of disciplinary actions or administrative proceedings taken against practitioners or establishments, promoting informed decision-making.

**Discipline & Administrative Actions**  
 Complete one or more search fields.  
 (Use fewer fields to produce more results) [Help](#)

Board/Council: -- Any --  
 Profession: -- Any --  
 Case Number:   
 Please exclude hyphens  
 Business or Last Name:   
 Enter Business Name for Establishments or Last Name for Practitioner  
 First Name:   
 City:   
 State: -- Any --  
 County: -- Any --  
 Action Taken: -- Any --  
 Action Taken Date Between: MM/DD/YYYY And MM/DD/YYYY

This is a data repository for final orders, emergency actions and administrative complaints that have been filed. This repository is refreshed nightly Monday through Friday with data from the primary database. The most recent refresh of the data occurred on 11/18/2024 14:31:14. For the most recent information about a practitioner, please click Search Home and then use the License Verification to view the Information. All search fields are optional. We recommend to enter as much search criteria as possible to limit the search results and reduce the search time. This information is provided in the most accessible format possible online. To request a more accessible version of the documents on this page, please send an email to [MQA.Internal.PublicRecordsRequests@flhealth.gov](mailto:MQA.Internal.PublicRecordsRequests@flhealth.gov)

## 2.5 Nursing Education Programs

Information about approved nursing education programs in Florida is available on the [Compare Florida Prelicensure Nursing Education Programs](#) search platform, assisting prospective students in making informed choices. It provides two methods to compare Florida Prelicensure Nursing Education Programs. You can select View List and see all listed programs. You may also Search by entering specific criteria. With either method, you can later select which programs you would like to compare.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links for Department of Health, FLHealthSource.gov, Public Data Portal, New Licensed Health Care Practitioners, Search Home, and Site Help. The main heading is "Compare Florida Prelicensure Nursing Education Programs". Below the heading, there is a "View List" button and instructions to select from a full list or narrow search criteria. A note states that approved programs may have a statutory obligation to receive licensure approval from the Commission for Independent Education. A disclaimer notes that the data is refreshed nightly from the MQA licensing system. The search form includes dropdown menus for Profession, Program Type, City, County, Accrediting Body, and Accreditation. It also has input fields for Program Retention Rate and Previous Year Pass Rates, each with "Greater Than" and "Less Than" options. Search and Reset buttons are at the bottom.

## 2.6 Prescription Pad Vendors

A list of [approved vendors for prescription pads](#) is provided, ensuring compliance with state regulations.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links for Department of Health, FLHealthSource.gov, Public Data Portal, New Licensed Health Care Practitioners, Search Home, and Site Help. The main heading is "Approved Counterfeit-Proof Prescription Pads or Blanks Vendor Search". Below the heading, there is a "View/Print Approved Vendor List" link and instructions to complete one or more search fields. The search form includes input fields for Vendor Identification Code, Company Name, City, State, and County. Search and Reset buttons are at the bottom. Below the form, there is a section of text explaining the requirements for licensed health care practitioners to purchase counterfeit-proof prescription pads or blanks from vendors approved by the Florida Department of Health. It also provides instructions on how to search, view a full listing, and reset the search fields.

## 2.7 Medical Marijuana Qualified Physician

The [Medical Marijuana Qualified Physician](#) search portal includes a search function to identify physicians qualified to recommend medical marijuana in Florida. You may search by Specialty/Certification, Name, Location and Status. A list of relevant results is provided to select from.

The screenshot shows the 'Medical Marijuana Qualified Physician Search' form. The header includes the Florida Department of Health logo and navigation links: 'Department of Health', 'FLHealthSource.gov', 'Public Data Portal', 'New Licensed Health Care Practitioners', and 'Search Home'. A 'Site Help' link is in the top right. The form title is 'Medical Marijuana Qualified Physician Search' with a sub-note: 'Complete one or more search fields. (Use fewer fields to produce more results: See Search Help)'. The form contains the following fields: 'Specialty/Certification' (dropdown menu with '-- Any --'), 'Last Name' (text input), 'First Name' (text input), 'City' (text input), 'County' (dropdown menu with '-- Any --'), 'Zip Code' (text input), and 'Status' (dropdown menu with 'Accepting New Patients'). At the bottom are 'Search' and 'Reset' buttons.

## 2.8 New Licensed Health Care Practitioners and Facilities

The [New Licensed Health Care Practitioners and Facilities](#) search allows users to look up licensed health care practitioners and facilities across various professions and regions within Florida. This service helps residents, patients, and organizations verify new licenses and ensures that healthcare providers meet Florida's regulatory standards.

The screenshot shows the 'New Licensed Health Care Practitioners and Facilities' search form. The header is identical to the previous form. The form title is 'New Licensed Health Care Practitioners and Facilities'. The form contains the following fields: 'License Date From\*' (date input with 'mm/dd/yyyy' placeholder), 'License Date To\*' (date input with 'mm/dd/yyyy' placeholder), 'Board/Council:' (dropdown menu with 'Select'), 'Profession:' (dropdown menu with 'Select'), and 'County:' (dropdown menu with 'Select'). A red asterisk note below the County field reads '\*This field is required.' At the bottom are 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons.

### 3. MQA's Data Download Portal

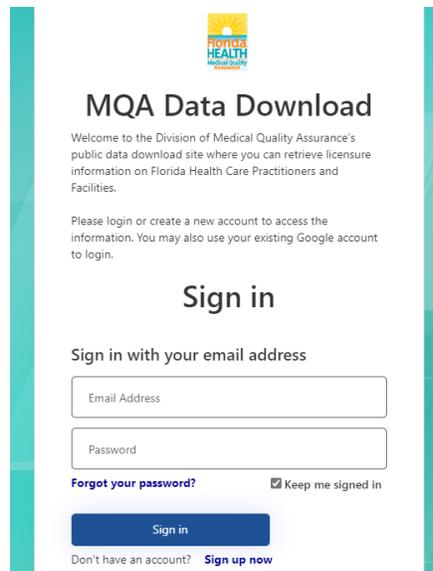
[MQA's Data Download Portal](#) is your resource for accessing a wide range of publicly available data and tools. Designed to be user-friendly and efficient, this platform aims to support the need for data for research, work projects, or other data needs. This guide will help you navigate the portal's features and maximize its capabilities.

Please be aware that the Florida Department of Health does not provide technical support for the portal. However, this guide is intended to serve as a comprehensive resource to assist you in exploring and utilizing the platform independently.

#### 3.1 Sign On

Sign-on is a critical feature of the Data Download Portal and ensures that our data team can better understand how users interact with the platform and utilize the available data. As the portal undergoes updates to include new and expanded information that was not previously accessible, tracking user engagement allows us to evaluate its effectiveness and usability.

Additionally, as updates and enhancements are made to the portal, having a sign-on system allows us to communicate directly with users, providing timely notifications about changes, new data sets, and other relevant updates. This ensures users remain informed and can fully benefit from the portal's evolving capabilities.



The screenshot shows the sign-in page for the MQA Data Download portal. At the top center is the Florida Health logo. Below it, the title "MQA Data Download" is displayed in a large, bold font. A welcome message follows: "Welcome to the Division of Medical Quality Assurance's public data download site where you can retrieve licensure information on Florida Health Care Practitioners and Facilities." Below this, a smaller message states: "Please login or create a new account to access the information. You may also use your existing Google account to login." The main heading "Sign in" is centered. Underneath, the instruction "Sign in with your email address" is shown. There are two input fields: "Email Address" and "Password". Below the password field, there is a link "Forgot your password?" and a checkbox labeled "Keep me signed in" which is checked. A blue "Sign in" button is positioned below the checkbox. At the bottom, there is a link "Don't have an account? Sign up now".

## 3.2 Home

Here, you'll find general information about accessing public data provided by the Florida Department of Health, in compliance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Data files are updated daily and formatted as ASCII text, pipe-delimited for use in spreadsheet, word processing, or database applications.

Note: Some information, such as financial or medical records and Social Security numbers, is confidential and excluded. Users are responsible for managing downloads, as technical support is not provided.

**Florida Health** Data Download

Home Licensure Data Profile Data License Status Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis Administrative Complaints Pain Management Clinic Report Pharmacy/Pharmacist

Hello Alyssa! [Sign out](#)

### Health Care Practitioner Data Portal

**General Information Concerning Data Downloads**  
Under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Department of Health (DOH) is required to make available for inspection and copying any public record regardless of physical format, which is not otherwise exempted from public access by general law. The department fulfills this requirement by providing copies of electronic records to the public.

Section 119.01(b), Florida Statutes, requires only that the agency provide electronic data in some common format such as, but not limited to, the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) text format. Therefore, the download files provided on this page are formatted as ASCII text, pipe delimited.

Financial information, medical information, school transcripts, examination questions, answers, papers, grades and grading keys, which are confidential and exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, will be withheld pursuant to Chapter 456.082, Florida Statutes. Social Security numbers will also be redacted pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 405(c)(2)(C)(vii)(I).

**About Our Data File Downloads**

- Data files are updated daily. **Please note:** Although data is scheduled to be refreshed on a nightly basis, system maintenance may periodically delay this process.
- The download site provides data that can be used in spreadsheet, word processing, or database programs. The Department assumes that users have the necessary knowledge for downloading a file into a spreadsheet and/or other software.
- You may need database software such as Microsoft Access to download some files.
- The Department does not offer technical support during or after the download process.
- Phone numbers listed in the profession data files are not required to be given by the health care professional. The Florida Department of Health does not maintain phone numbers in daily business practice.

Click [here](#) to view user guide

## 3.3 Licensure Data

The Florida Department of Health provides licensure data through the [Licensure Data Download](#), including the license status, mailing address, and email address for health care practitioners and establishments licensed in Florida. The specific columns provided can be found in the metadata file. The user has the option to select “All Professions” or a specific profession. Users can then download either “All Statuses” or only “Currently Licensed”. The data is returned as a compressed pipe (|) delimited text file and, for the most part, can be imported into Microsoft Excel.

To assist with understanding the data structure, metadata files are also available. These files provide details about the fields and formatting of the licensure data, ensuring users can efficiently analyze and integrate the information into their workflows.

Important Note: Selecting "All Professions" will generate a file containing over a million records, which exceeds Excel's capacity and must be imported into database software for analysis. For a full list of all professions, see Professions Available.

The Licensure Data Download provides the license status, mailing address, and email address for health care practitioners and establishments licensed in Florida. The data is returned as a compressed pipe (|) delimited text and can be imported into Microsoft Excel. **Please note:** Choosing All Professions will return over a million records and cannot be opened in Microsoft Excel. The All Professions file must be imported into Microsoft Access or other database software.

Profession \*  [Currently Licensed](#) [All Statuses](#) [Click here to download metadata file](#)

### 3.4 Profile Data

This resource is designed to help users access and analyze the key profile data for licensed practitioners in Florida.

The [Practitioner Profile Data Download](#) provides detailed information on healthcare practitioners, including certifications, staff privileges, faculty appointments, disciplinary actions, and more. The specific columns provided in each download can be found in the metadata file associated with that file. This data is only required for certain professions, including:

- Medical Doctors
- Osteopathic Physicians
- Podiatric Physicians
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
- Chiropractic Physicians

The data available in the Practitioner Profiling tables can be used to find more specific information about a practitioner besides contact information. It can be used to find a group of practitioners that meet certain factors, such as education history or specialty. This can then be used to either find a certain type of practitioner, or to find more information about a group of practitioners.

The profiles contain self-reported data, which may not be verified by the Department, and includes essential details such as education, current practice and mailing addresses, legal actions, and any disciplinary actions. Medical malpractice information and federal criminal history is not included. Each profile table contains information about the practitioner including license number. This license number can be used to match to the Profile Master Table to find out other information like contact information. A practitioner may have multiple entries on each table. For example, if a practitioner has multiple specialties, they will appear twice on that file.

The data required to be provided by the practitioner includes:

- Practitioner's education and training, including other health related degrees, professional and post graduate training specialty
- Practitioner's current practice and mailing addresses
- Practitioner's staff privileges and faculty appointments
- Practitioner's reported financial responsibility
- Legal actions taken against the practitioner
- Board final disciplinary action taken against the practitioner

- Any liability claims filed against podiatric physicians which exceed \$5,000
- Any liability claims filed against allopathic and osteopathic physicians which exceed \$100,000.

The data provided may also include optional information such as committees, memberships, and publications.

The screenshot shows the 'Data Download' section of the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance website. The navigation menu includes Home, Licensure Data, Profile Data, License Status, Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis, Administrative Complaints, Pain Management Clinic Report, and Pharmacy/Pharmacist. The 'Profile Data' tab is selected, leading to the 'Practitioner Profile Data Download' page. The page content includes a welcome message 'Hello Alyssa! Sign out', a title 'Practitioner Profile Data Download', and several paragraphs of text explaining the data provided, including a list of professions and a list of information included in the profile data. The list includes education and training, current practice and mailing addresses, staff privileges and faculty appointments, reported financial responsibility, legal actions, and disciplinary actions. It also notes that liability claims exceeding \$5,000 for podiatric physicians and \$100,000 for allopathic and osteopathic physicians are included. A disclaimer at the bottom states that the Department of Health and the State of Florida do not accept legal liability for the accuracy, timeliness, completeness, or usefulness of the information.

### 3.5 License Status

The [License Status Data Download](#) provides access to a focused subset of licensure data for verification purposes. This dataset includes information on the status of healthcare licenses, such as active, inactive, suspended, or revoked, making it a valuable tool for verifying a provider's legal standing, ensuring compliance with state regulations, and supporting credentialing processes for healthcare organizations and individuals.

This resource is designed to facilitate efficient access to critical licensure status information to meet your verification and compliance needs.

The License Status tab varies from the Licensure Data tab in that the License Status tab only provides license information related to license status and issue date. It does not provide any contact information.

The screenshot shows the 'Data Download' section of the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance website. The navigation menu is the same as in the previous screenshot, but the 'License Status' tab is selected, leading to the 'License Status Download' page. The page content includes a welcome message 'Hello Alyssa! Sign out', a title 'License Status Download', and several paragraphs of text explaining the data provided, including a note that the file is updated daily and a disclaimer that the file provides consumers with access to a small subset of licensure data that can be used for verification purposes. At the bottom, there are two links: 'Click here to download data file' and 'Click here to download metadata file'.

### 3.6 Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis

The [Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis Data Download](#) includes information about healthcare providers who are authorized to prescribe medical cannabis and low-THC cannabis. Its purpose is to provide transparency and access to data regarding qualified practitioners in the state, which can help patients and caregivers in identifying legitimate sources for medical cannabis prescriptions.

The screenshot shows the 'Data Download' section of the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance website. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Licensure Data, Profile Data, License Status, Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis (selected), Administrative Complaints, Pain Management Clinic Report, and Pharmacy/Pharmacist. The user is logged in as 'Hello Alyssa!' with a 'Sign out' link. The main heading is 'Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis Download'. Below this, there is a disclaimer: 'This file provides a listing of the Practitioners who are Authorized to Order Medical Marijuana and Low THC Cannabis or serve as the Medical Director for a Dispensing Organization. This download provides the Name, Course Completed (indicated by Physician or Director), Practice Location Address, and Practice Location Phone Number of those licensed in Florida. The data are returned as a compressed pipe (|) delimited text and can be imported into Excel.' A note states: 'Note: Practitioners who have completed the Director course are eligible to serve as the Medical Director of the Dispensing Organization. Practitioners who have completed the Physician course are authorized to order Medical Marijuana and Low THC Cannabis.' At the bottom, there are two links: 'Click here to download data file' and 'Click here to download metadata file'.

### 3.7 Administrative Complaints

The [Administrative Complaints Filed within the Last 30 Days](#) dataset in Florida contains information about recent complaints against regulated professions and businesses. Its purpose is to provide transparency regarding administrative actions and to inform the public about potential issues within various industries. This data can help consumers and professionals stay informed about any administrative actions that might affect them.

The screenshot shows the 'Data Download' section of the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance website. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Licensure Data, Profile Data, License Status, Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis, Administrative Complaints (selected), Pain Management Clinic Report, and Pharmacy/Pharmacist. The user is logged in as 'Hello Alyssa!' with a 'Sign out' link. The main heading is 'Administrative Complaints Filed within the last 30 days'. Below this, there is a disclaimer: 'The Department of Health is required to make available for inspection and copying any public record regardless of physical format, which is not otherwise exempted from public access by general law. The department fulfills this requirement by providing copies of electronic records to the public.' Another disclaimer states: 'This file contains a listing of Administrative Complaints that have been filed in the last 30 days. This file is updated daily. **Please note** : Although data are scheduled to be refreshed on a daily basis, system maintenance may periodically delay this process.' A final disclaimer says: 'The Department does not offer technical support. The purpose of the download site is to provide data that can be used by other systems or databases. The Department assumes that users have the necessary knowledge for downloading a file into other software.' At the bottom, there are two links: 'Click here to download data file' and 'Click here to download metadata file'.

### 3.8 Pain Management Clinic Report

The [Pain Management Clinic Report](#) aims to collect and analyze data on pain management services, focusing on the quality of care and treatment patterns in clinics. This report supports regulatory oversight, enhances patient safety, and informs policy decisions related to pain management practices.

The screenshot shows the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance Data Download portal. The header includes the Florida Health logo and the text 'Data Download'. A navigation bar contains links for Home, Licensure Data, Profile Data, License Status, Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis, Administrative Complaints, Pain Management Clinic Report, and Pharmacy/Pharmacist. The main content area is titled 'Pain Management Clinic Report' and includes a user greeting 'Hello Alyssa!' with a 'Sign out' link. Below the title, there is a disclaimer about public record access, followed by three paragraphs of information: the first states the report is updated daily but may be delayed by system maintenance; the second notes the file is a pipe-delimited text file; the third states that technical support is not offered. At the bottom, there are two links: 'Click here to download data file' and 'Click here to download metadata file'.

### 3.9 Pharmacy/Pharmacist

The [Listing of Newly Licensed or Closed Pharmacies](#) provides updated information about pharmacies that have recently received their licenses or have closed. Its purpose is to ensure transparency and keep the public informed about the status of pharmacies, which is crucial for patient safety and accessibility to medications.

The screenshot shows the Florida Health Medical Quality Assurance Data Download portal. The header includes the Florida Health logo and the text 'Data Download'. A navigation bar contains links for Home, Licensure Data, Profile Data, License Status, Authorized to Order Medical Cannabis and Low THC Cannabis, Administrative Complaints, Pain Management Clinic Report, and Pharmacy/Pharmacist. The main content area is titled 'Listing of Newly Licensed or Closed Pharmacies' and includes a user greeting 'Hello Alyssa!' with a 'Sign out' link. Below the title, there is a disclaimer about public record access, followed by three paragraphs of information: the first states the listing is updated daily but may be delayed by system maintenance; the second notes the file is a pipe-delimited text file; the third states that technical support is not offered. At the bottom, there are two links: 'Click here to download data file' and 'Click here to download metadata file'.

## 4. Tips for Working with the Data

The MQA Data Download Portal is a resource for accessing a wide range of publicly available data and tools. The portal aims to support your need for data for research, work projects, or other data needs. Below is information on some techniques for working with the data available through the portal.

### 4.1 Metadata Files

For each downloadable file, there is an associated Metadata document. This document shows the information available in the file as well as the field (column) name and associated field description. This document makes it easier to see what data is located in each file so that the user can download the one that is most suitable to their needs.

## 4.2 Data File Format

All files from the Data Download Portal are only available as a pipe-delimited text file.

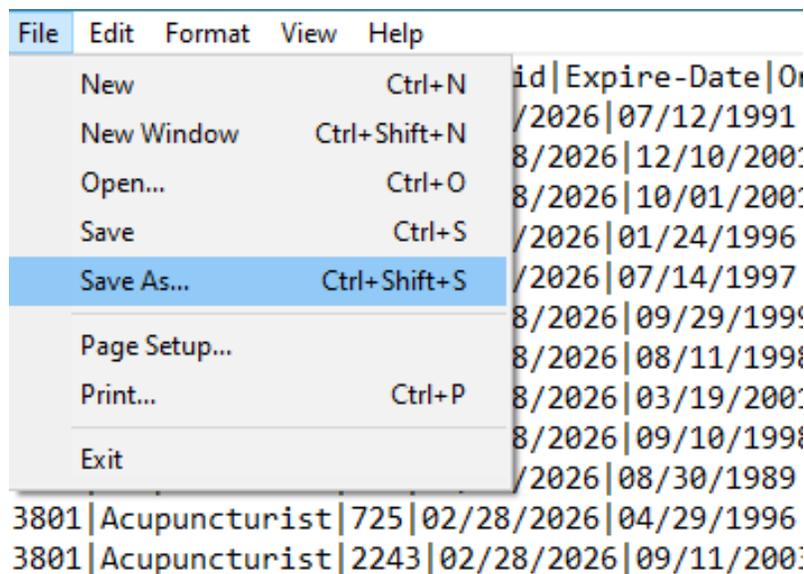
Each file available to download is hyperlinked from the site. When you click on the hyperlink, the file will download as a text file (.txt).

If you open the file, it will look something like this:

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pro_cde|Profession-Name|lic_id|Expire-Date|Original-Date|Rank-Code|License-Number|Status-Effective-Date|Board-Action-Indic
3801|Acupuncturist|354|02/28/2026|07/12/1991|AP|363|01/01/1901|N|CLEAR|SHIU|HUA|||Active|62|PINELLAS|2874 ROOSEVELT BLVD.
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3801|Acupuncturist|1045|02/28/2026|08/11/1998|AP|1059|05/20/2004|N|CLEAR|CORREIA|MARINA|P|||Active|16|BROWARD|2400 DC Coun
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To use the file, you must first save it so that you can later find it. To do this click File and Save As.



By saving the file in a known location, you can easily import it into a software that you use to interact with the file.

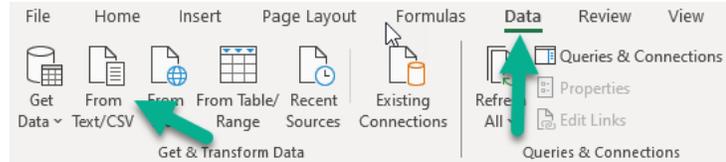
## 4.3 Large Data Sets

Because of the size limitation, certain files cannot be imported into Excel and must be accessed using database software. These are files with more than 1,000,000 rows.

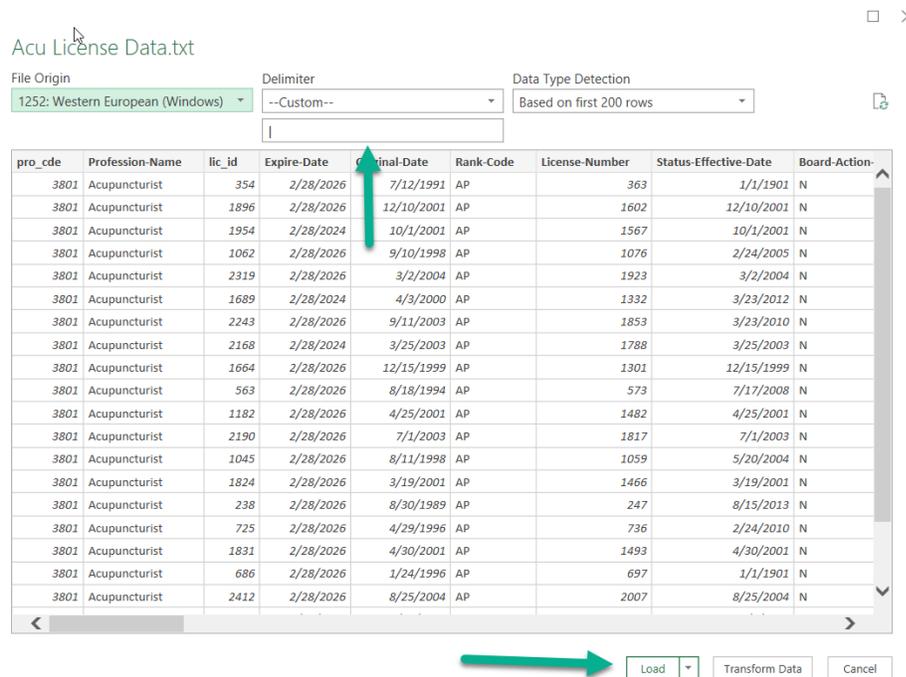
- (a) Licensure Data
  - (i) All Professions (Both Currently Licensed and All Statuses)

## 4.4 Using Excel to Work with the File

After the file is saved, open Excel. Select the Data tab and then on the left side select From Text/CSV.



Select the file from the saved location and click Import. You will need to change the delimiter to Custom and enter in the “|” symbol (Typically above the Enter Key on your keyboard). Check that the file has imported correctly and click Load.



The Excel file will now contain the information from the text file as a table. If you do not want the information in table format, you can convert the file. To convert the table to an unformatted grid:

- Select the entire table by using Ctrl + A.
- On the Table Design tab, click on Convert to Range. This process may take a minute depending on the size of your file.
- Then on the Home tab, in the Editing section, click on Clear and then Clear Formats.

The file can now be filtered and sorted as needed.

## 4.5 Using Excel to Work with Multiple Files

To match supplementary profile data to the License Profile Master Table, you can use Excel to combine the two files into one.

## 1) LOAD

- (a) The first step is to follow the process above to load the first file. DO NOT CONVERT FROM A TABLE.
- (b) Next, start the import for the second file (any of the specific profile pages, like Education), but do not click Load.
- (c) Instead, you are going to click on the Transform Data button that is located next to Load.
- (d) The Power Query Editor will open.
- (e) Because the pro\_cde and lic\_id both need to match, you can combine them into one column on both files.
- (f) Under the Add Column tab, select Column from Examples.
- g) In the new column, write '=', and select the pro\_cde column, enter a dash, and then click the lic\_id column. This is shown in the example below. You will see the expected result in light gray for other rows. Click OK. The new column will be the last column on the right. If you prefer, you can move it to the first column location.

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pro_cde	lic_id	rec_id	specialty_brd	specialty_cert	merged
J501	81666	25209705	AMERICAN BOARD OF RADIOLOGY	RADIOLOGY - DIAGNOSTIC	=1501 - 81666
J501	92191	25209553	AMERICAN BOARD OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEU...	N - NEUROLOGY	=1501 - 92191
J501	10927	25169464	AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY	NM - NUCLEAR MEDICINE	=1501 - 10927
J501	10927	25169465	AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE	IM - CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE	=1501 - 10927
J501	92864	25631464	AMERICAN BOARD OF PATHOLOGY	PTH - PATHOLOGY-ANATOMIC AND CLINICAL	=1501 - 92864
J501	65656	25392947	AMERICAN BOARD OF COLON & RECTAL SUR...	CRS - COLON AND RECTAL SURGERY	=1501 - 65656
J501	65656	25392948	AMERICAN BOARD OF SURGERY	GS - SURGERY	=1501 - 65656
J501	63734	25345025	AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE	IM - CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE	=1501 - 63734

Merged
=1501 - 90471
=1501 - 91478
=1501 - 90600
=1501 - 91368
1501 - 91111

- i) You will need to duplicate these steps for the other file so that they can be matched.

## 2) MERGE

- (a) You are now ready to merge the two files.
- (b) On the left side, make sure the second file or non-Master Table is highlighted.
- (c) On the Home tab, click on Merge Queries in the Combine Section.
- (d) A box will appear. The top section should be the profile file.
- (e) For the bottom section, select the License Profile Master Table.
- (f) Highlight the matching column on each sheet, in this case, the newly created custom column.

- (g) Under Join Kind, select Left Outer. This will match any information from the profile table to the License Profile Master Table. This means if there is no match from the profile data to the License Profile Master, that row will only have information from the profile table.

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### Merge

Select a table and matching columns to create a merged table.

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Merged	lic_id	pro_cde	inst_nme	grad_dte	deg_cert_earn_cd
=1501 - 90471	90471	1501	University of Miami	5/11/2011	MD
=1501 - 91478	91478	1501	Jefferson Medical College	6/6/1969	MD
=1501 - 90600	90600	1501	NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CARDIOLOGY, HAVANA CUBA	5/30/1995	
=1501 - 91368	91368	1501	UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson	5/24/1995	MD

licensee\_profile (5) 📄

Merged	pro_cde	lic_id	lic_nbr	l_name	f_name	m_name	name_suffix	birth_year_rang
=1701 - 64053	1701	64053	1767032	LEWIS	DON	ROBERT JR		60 - 70
=1701 - 57509	1701	57509	1692232	MARKOWITZ	LUANNE	MARIE		70 - 80
=1701 - 641	1701	641	32662	RASHLEY	BETTY	A ROBERTS		40 - 50
=1701 - 64067	1701	64067	1767222	MUSIALOWSKI	REGINA	L BLEY		80 - 90

Join Kind  
Left Outer (all from first, matching from second) ▾

Use fuzzy matching to perform the merge

▸ Fuzzy matching options

Estimating matches based on data previews

- h) If you go to the far right, you will see the joined table. Click on the expand button and choose the columns that you want to display.
- i) Click the Close and Load button on the Home tab.
- j) This process may take a minute depending on the file size and number of matches.

### 3) CONVERT

The new merged Excel file will now contain the information from both text files as a table. If you want the information not in table format, you can convert the file. To convert the table to an unformatted grid:

- a) Select the entire table by using Ctrl + A.
- b) On the Table Design tab, click on Convert to Range. This process may take a minute depending on the size of your file.

- c) Then on the Home tab, in the Editing section, click on Clear and then Clear Formats.

The file can now be filtered and sorted as needed.

## 5. Professions Available

MQA provides licensure data for the following professions.

### Board of Acupuncture

- Acupuncturist
- Acupuncturist Out-of-State Telehealth

### Board of Athletic Training

- Athletic Trainer
- Athletic Trainer Out-of-State Telehealth

### Board of Chiropractic Medicine

- Certified Chiropractic Physician's Assistant
- Certified Chiropractic Physician's Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth Pvdr
- Chiropractic Faculty Certificate
- Chiropractic Physician
- Chiropractic Physician Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Registered Chiropractic Assistant

### Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

- Clinical Laboratories
- Clinical Laboratory Personnel
- Clinical Laboratory Technologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Clinical Laboratory Trainee
- Clinical Laboratory Trainee Out-of-State Telehealth
- Clinical Laboratory Training Program

### Board of Dentistry

- Dental
- Dental Expert Witness Certificate
- Dental Hygienist
- Dental Laboratory
- Dental Radiographer
- Dental Out-of-State Telehealth
- Dental Residency Permits
- Dental Teaching Permits
- Dental Teaching Permits Out-of-State Telehealth
- Dental Temporary Certificate
- Dental-Health Access Dental
- Non-Profit Corporations

### Board of Hearing Aid Specialists

- Hearing Aid Specialist
- Hearing Aid Specialist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Hearing Aid Specialist Trainee
- Hearing Aid Specialist Trainee Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Massage Therapy

- Massage Establishment
- Massage Therapist
- Massage Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Massage Therapy Apprentice

#### Board of Medicine

- Anesthesiologist Assistants
- Anesthesiologist Assistants Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Exempt Pain Management Clinic
- Graduate Assistant Physician
- Limited License Medical Doctor
- Medical Doctor
- Medical Doctor Expert Witness Certificate
- Medical Doctor Limited to Cleveland Clinic
- Medical Doctor Limited to Mayo Clinic
- Medical Doctor Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Medical Doctor Public Health Certificate
- Medical Doctor Public Psychiatry Certificate
- Medical Doctor Restricted
- Medical Doctor Visiting Faculty Certificate
- Medical Doctor – Temporary Area of Critical Need
- Medical Faculty Certificate
- Office Surgery Registration
- Pain Management Clinic
- Physician Assistant
- Physician Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Physician Assistant Temp. Cert. Area of Critical Need
- Registration for Resident/HSE Physician
- Temporary Military Platform Medical Doctor

#### Board of Mental Health Professions

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker Out-of-State Telehealth
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Licensed Mental Health Counselor
- Licensed Mental Health Counselor Out-of-State Telehealth
- Provisional Clinical Social Worker Licensee
- Provisional Clinical Social Worker Licensee Out-of-State Telehealth
- Provisional Marriage and Family Therapist Licensee
- Provisional Marriage and Family Therapist Licensee Out-of-State Telehealth
- Provisional Mental Health Counselor Licensee

- Provisional Mental Health Counselor Out-of-State Telehealth Licensee
- Registered Clinical Social Worker Intern
- Registered Clinical Social Worker Intern Out-of-State Telehealth
- Registered Marriage and Family Therapist Intern
- Registered Marriage and Family Therapist Intern Out-of-State Telehealth
- Registered Mental Health Counselor Intern
- Registered Mental Health Counselor Intern Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Naturopathic Medicine

- Naturopathic Physician

#### Board of Nursing

- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse – Temp Certificate Area of Critical Need
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Certified Nursing Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Licensed Practical Nurse Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Nursing Education Program – PN
- Nursing Education Program – RN
- PN Remedial Course
- Registered Nurse
- Registered Nurse Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- RN Remedial Course

#### Board of Nursing Home Administrators

- Nursing Home Administrator
- Nursing Home Administrator Provisional License

#### Board of Occupational Therapy

- Occupational Therapist
- Occupational Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth
- Occupational Therapy Doctoral Capstone Experience

#### Board of Opticianry

- Apprentice Optician
- Apprentice Optician Out-of-State Telehealth
- Optical Establishment Permit
- Optician
- Optician Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Optometry

- Optometric Faculty Certificate
- Optometrist
- Optometrist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider

- Optometry Branch Office

Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists

- Orthotic Fitter
- Orthotic Fitter Assistant
- Orthotic Fitter Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Orthotic Fitter Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Orthotic Resident
- Orthotic Resident Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Orthotic-Prosthetic Resident
- Orthotist
- Orthotist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Pedorthist
- Pedorthist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Prosthetic Residents
- Prosthetic Residents Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Prosthetist
- Prosthetist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Prosthetist-Orthotist
- Prosthetist-Orthotist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

- Osteopathic Faculty Certificate
- Osteopathic Graduate Assistant Physician
- Osteopathic Limited License
- Osteopathic Physician
- Osteopathic Physician Expert Witness Certificate
- Osteopathic Physician Out-of-State Telehealth
- Osteopathic Resident Registration
- Osteopathic – Temporary Area of Critical Need

Board of Pharmacy

- Consultant Pharmacist
- Consultant Pharmacist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Nonresident Sterile Compounding
- Nuclear Pharmacist
- Nuclear Pharmacist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Pharmacist
- Pharmacist Intern
- Pharmacist Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Pharmacy
- Pharmacy Technician Training Program
- Registered Pharmacy Technician

Board of Physical Therapy

- Physical Therapist
- Physical Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth

- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Physical Therapist Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Podiatric Medicine

- Certified Pod X-Ray Assistant
- Podiatric Physician
- Podiatric Physician Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Podiatric Residency Program
- Podiatric Resident Registration
- Podiatric Resident Registration Out-of-State Telehealth Provider

#### Board of Psychology

- Limited License Psychologist
- Limited License Psychologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Provisional Psychologist
- Provisional Psychologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Psychologist
- Psychologist Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Respiratory Care

- Certified Respiratory Therapist
- Certified Respiratory Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Registered Respiratory Therapist
- Registered Respiratory Therapist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Registered Student Exemption
- Respiratory Care Practitioner by Exam
- Respiratory Care Practitioner by Critical Care
- Respiratory Care Practitioner by Critical Care Out-of-State Telehealth
- Respiratory Care Practitioner by Non-Critical Care
- Respiratory Care Practitioner by Non-Critical Care Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

- Audiologist
- Audiologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Audiology Assistant
- Provisional Audiologist
- Provisional Audiologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist
- Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Speech-Language Pathologist
- Speech-Language Pathologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Speech-Language Pathology Assistant
- Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

- Emergency Allergy Treatment Licensee
- Emergency Allergy Treatment Licensee Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Emergency Medical Technician

- Emergency Medical Technician Out-of-State Telehealth Provider
- Paramedic
- Paramedic Out-of-State Telehealth Provider

#### Public Safety Telecommunications

- 911 Law Enforcement Officer
- 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator
- 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Training Program

#### EMS Providers

- EMS Service Provider Air
- EMS Service Provider ALS
- EMS Service Provider BLS
- Vehicle Permit (Aircraft)
- Vehicle Permit (ALS)
- Vehicle Permit (BLS)

#### Council of Dietetics and Nutrition Practice

- Dietetics/Nutritionist
- Dietetics/Nutritionist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Nutrition Counselor
- Nutrition Counselor Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Council of Electrolysis

- Electrologist
- Electrologist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Electrolysis Laser Provider
- Electrolysis Facility

#### Council of Licensed Midwifery

- Midwifery
- Midwifery Out-of-State Telehealth
- Temporary Midwife

#### Office of Certified Master Social Workers

- Certified Master Social Worker
- Certified Master Social Worker Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Office of Genetic Counseling

- Genetic Counselor
- Genetic Counselor Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Nursing Home Administrators

- Nursing Home Administrator
- Nursing Home Administrator Provisional License

#### Office of Medical Physicists

- Diagnostic Radiological Physicist

- Diagnostic Radiological Physicist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Medical Health Physicist
- Medical Health Physicist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Medical Nuclear Radiological Physicist
- Medical Nuclear Radiological Physicist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Medical Physicist in Training
- Medical Physicist in Training Out-of-State Telehealth
- Temporary Medical Physicist
- Temporary Medical Physicist Out-of-State Telehealth
- Therapeutic Radiological Physicist
- Therapeutic Radiological Physicist Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Bureau of Radiation Control

- Rad Tech Approved CE Courses
- Rad Tech Approved CE Providers
- Radiologic Technology
- Radiologic Technology Out-of-State Telehealth
- Radiologist Assistant
- Radiologist Assistant Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Office of School Psychology

- School Psychologist
- School Psychologist Out-of-State Telehealth

#### Other Professions (Historic or Telehealth Only)

- Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst Out-of-State Telehealth
- Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral Level Out-of-State Telehealth
- Board Certified Behavior Analyst Out-of-State Telehealth

## 6. Other Sites of Interest

- a) MQA Home Page  
<https://flhealthsource.gov/>
- b) Links to Board Websites  
<https://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/index.html>
- c) MQA Reports and Publications  
<https://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/reports-and-publications/index.html>
- d) Other DOH Data – Statistics and Data  
<https://www.floridahealth.gov/statistics-and-data/index.html>
- e) Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation  
<https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/>