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MEMORANDUM

To: Applicants for Louisiana Pharmacist License
From: Malcolm J. Broussard, Executive Director
Date: January 8, 2018
Re: Change in Procedures for Examinations and Licensure Transfer

The Louisiana Board of Pharmacy relies on the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) for its licensure examinations as well as license transfer process. NABP has recently announced plans to upgrade its systems to a new online platform. To accomplish that transition, NABP systems will shut down from 5 pm (CT) on March 20, 2018 until 12 pm (CT) on April 2, 2018. During this period of time, NABP testing applications, score reports, practice tests, licensure transfer applications, CPE Monitor, and publication ordering will not be available.

NAPLEX and MPJE

- When the new system is launched on April 2, 2018, the registration process for the NAPLEX and MPJE will change to a two-step process – (1) apply for examination and (2) register for examination.
- Candidates who cannot wait until after April 2, 2018 to take the NAPLEX or MPJE should be aware of the following dates:
 - March 20, 2018 – Candidates must register for the exam, be granted eligibility, receive their ATT, and schedule and take the exam by 5 pm (CT) on this date. All jurisdiction changes and applicable score transfers also must be completed on this date. Candidates will not receive refunds for missed appointments or resitting fees.
 - March 20, 2018 at 5 pm (CT) to April 2, 2018 at 12 pm (CT) – NAPLEX and MPJE registrations will be closed. No exams will be scheduled at Pearson VUE during this time.
- Candidates who register and/or receive an ATT before March 20, but are unable to take the exam, will have their registration rolled over into the new system. Those candidates may schedule their exam with Pearson VUE after April 2.
- Students graduating in 2018 should wait until after April 2 to register for their examinations so that they register through the new process.

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Licensure Transfer (e-LTP)

- The Electronic Licensure Transfer Program (e-LTP) application will be moved completely online; license transfer applicants will no longer receive printed Official Applications from NABP.
- All printed Official Applications must be received by the applicable state board of pharmacy by March 30, 2018, or they will be null and void.
- Time extensions for applications will not be valid after March 30, 2018 and no time extensions will be available after March 30.
- Licensure transfer applicants who do not complete and submit their Official Application to the applicable state board of pharmacy by March 30, 2018 must submit a new licensure transfer application after April 2, 2018 using the new paperless process and pay the application fee of \$375 plus \$75 for each additional state.

CPE Monitor

CPE activity will be unavailable from March 20 at 5 pm (CT) until April 2 at 12 pm (CT) when the new system is launched.