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TO: EXECUTIVE OFFICERS – STATE BOARDS OF PHARMACY
FROM: Carmen A. Catizone, Executive Director/Secretary
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RE: Update on New NABP Online Systems Launching in April 2018

In September 2017, the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) sent a memo providing initial information on a new, upgraded online system to be launched on April 2, 2018. Once implemented, the system will serve the member boards of pharmacy as they utilize NABP programs and services. This new system will position NABP to begin offering more services to boards of pharmacy. In addition, the Association will be able to automate and streamline current processes for some of the programs used by the boards of pharmacy.

In addition to providing the boards of pharmacy with more services and automation, a new interface for individual pharmacists, technicians, and students registering for NABP programs is being launched on April 2. In preparation for the launch of the new customer interface, NABP has begun publishing information on its website regarding important deadlines and other changes that will affect those applying for licensure transfer and registering for examinations. This information will be disseminated through various NABP communications over the next few months. Key information includes:

- NABP systems will be shut down from March 20, 2018, at 5 PM Central Time (CT) until approximately April 2, 2018, at 12 PM CT when the new system is launched. During this time NABP testing applications, score reports, practice tests, licensure transfer applications, CPE Monitor, and publication ordering will not be available.
 - *Note to Board of Pharmacy Executive Officers: The system shutdown will provide for a complete and accurate transfer of data from NABP's current system to the new system, as well as a smoother transition between program processes.*

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.**
 - *Note to Board of Pharmacy Executive Directors: NABP is reaching out to all those applicants who have received an Official Application. We recognize that you may receive paper Official Applications after March 30, 2018, and encourage you to refer those*

individuals to NABP for assistance. More information on this will be provided in training sessions for board staff.

- 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.

NAPLEX and MPJE

- When the new system is launched on April 2, 2018, the registration process for the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (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.
- Candidates who choose **Colorado, Maine, Oregon, or Utah** as their primary state of eligibility are encouraged to wait until after April 2 to apply for the NAPLEX and/or MPJE when the process moves online and paper forms are eliminated.

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.

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Board Staff Information and Training

NABP will continue to provide updates about the launch of this new system to the boards of pharmacy through the Electronic Mailbag. Training webinars for board of pharmacy staff are being planned for March 2018. These webinars will familiarize board staff with the new NABP e-Profile Connect interface as well as changes in processes or procedures for NABP programs.

We look forward to providing you and board of pharmacy staff with improved services in the coming months.

cc: NABP Executive Committee