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#### **Preamble**

Given that medications are an integral part of disease management, medication therapies and their delivery systems are becoming more complex, technological enhancements have improved the capabilities for patient monitoring, and entities motivated by economic gain are eroding standards of care, there is greater potential harm to the public and a greater need for patients' medication use to be managed by a licensed pharmacist and state regulatory agencies to aggressively enforce standards of care.

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# NAPLEX/MPJE

## Registration Procedures

### Welcome to the NAPLEX and MPJE

The North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination™ (NAPLEX®) and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination® (MPJE®) are developed by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) for use by the boards of pharmacy as part of their assessment of candidates' competence to practice pharmacy.

### Internet-Based Examination Registration Form

Candidates in direct processing jurisdictions<sup>1</sup> may apply for the NAPLEX, MPJE, and NAPLEX Score Transfer on the NABP Web site at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net). As a result of this Internet-Based Registration Form and credit card payment fee process for the NAPLEX, MPJE, and NAPLEX Score Transfer, candidates who use the system will no longer be required to utilize the NAPLEX/MPJE paper Examination Registration Form. Candidates from those states that do not utilize direct processing must complete a paper Examination Registration Form.

Registration fees for the NAPLEX and MPJE are listed below.

### Paper Examination Registration Form

To register for the NAPLEX and/or MPJE, you may complete and submit a paper Examination Registration Form for each examination. These forms may be obtained by contacting your board of pharmacy or school of pharmacy. The board of pharmacy from which you are seeking licensure will instruct you on mailing procedures for your Registration Form and the appropriate fee. It is strongly recommended that you send your Registration Form and fees via traceable method (ie, certified mail, courier service, etc).

### NAPLEX and MPJE Fees

Effective January 1, 2006, the examination fees are as follows:

- ◆ NAPLEX – \$465 per examination
- ◆ MPJE – \$185 per examination

NABP will notify all candidates who submit registrations without the appropriate fees that their registrations will not be processed until the proper fees are provided to NABP.

All fees must be submitted according to the directions provided by the board of pharmacy. Acceptable methods of payment vary and are determined by the board. **Payments provided to NABP may NOT be submitted in the form of a personal check.**

**Fees must be submitted in the form of a money order, bank draft, or certified check made payable to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy or NABP. Do NOT send a personal check, cash, or any form of fee payment other than those listed above.**

Contact the board of pharmacy to which you are applying for licensure for information about the specific method of payment. (See the “Board of Pharmacy Contacts” section on page 25.)

### Refunds, Withdrawals, and Change of State

**Carefully select your state of eligibility.** If you wish to change your state of eligibility, an additional fee of \$50 will be charged. If you wish to withdraw from the program for which you are registering at a later date, NABP will issue a partial refund only for the examination. For those candidates withdrawing from NAPLEX, \$140 will be refunded, and for candidates withdrawing from MPJE the partial refund will be \$65. No refunds will be issued if your request is received after your eligibility expires or if you miss your scheduled testing appointment. **NABP must receive written notification from the candidate for a change in the state of eligibility or to withdraw from the NAPLEX/MPJE program.**

### Requesting Special Testing Accommodations

NABP and the boards of pharmacy abide by all applicable federal and state statutes relating to the accommodation of disabled individuals. To ensure the security and integrity of the examinations, the board of pharmacy will evaluate special accommodation requests in consultation with NABP. Testing accommodations for candidates with disabilities will be made only with the authorization of the board of pharmacy.

For additional information regarding procedures, deadline dates, and required documentation, contact your board of pharmacy **prior** to submitting registration materials.

<sup>1</sup>Direct processing jurisdictions allow candidates to submit their registration form and payment directly to NABP.

## Completing the Paper Examination Registration Form

The paper Examination Registration Forms may be obtained from your board of pharmacy. When completing the paper Examination Registration Form, make certain to follow all instructions carefully, provide all information requested, enclose the proper fee as instructed by the board of pharmacy, and print legibly. **Registration materials that are illegible, incomplete, improperly completed, or not accompanied by the proper fee could delay your Authorization to Test (ATT).**

When marking the paper Examination Registration Form, use only a No. 2 pencil. When completing the registration form, begin with the leftmost box and do not include unnecessary spaces between letters. Print one letter or number in each box, and make certain to fill in the corresponding circle entirely with dark marks. To indicate a hyphen, fill in the hyphen (-) in the circle grid. To indicate a space, fill in the open circle (O) in the circle grid. Completely erase any marks you do not want indicated and do not leave any stray marks on the form.

The following instructions will help you answer the questions on the paper Examination Registration Form. A completed sample appears on pages 6 through 9 of this *Bulletin* to provide you with a visual reference to these instructions.

### Page 1 of the Paper Examination Registration Form (See sample on page 6):

1. **Specific Examination Registration.** Indicate the examination program for which you are registering. The paper Examination Registration Form may be used when registering for **either** the NAPLEX **or** the MPJE. **(You must select one examination program ONLY per paper Examination Registration Form.)**
2. **Name.** Print your last (family) name, your first name, and your middle initial in the spaces provided. If your name is too long to fit in the boxes provided, print as much as will fit. **Enter your name exactly as it appears on the two forms of identification you will present at the test center. (See the “Identification Requirements” section on page 13 for more information.)** Always use the same form of your name on your paper Examination Registration Form and when scheduling an appointment to test. Do not change the spelling and do not change the order of your name.
3. **Social Security Number.** Print your United States Social Security number in the boxes. Please note this information is voluntary, but may be used by the board of pharmacy to link your examination results to your application for licensure.

4. **Mother’s Maiden Name.** Print your mother’s maiden name in the spaces provided. “Maiden name” refers to the last (family) name your mother used before marriage.
5. **Date of Birth.** Print the month, day, and year in which you were born. For birth months and days less than 10, enter a zero in the first “month” or “day” box (eg, if you were born on April 2, 1966, you would fill in the box for “month” as “04,” for “day” as “02,” and for “year” as “66”).
6. **Certification and Date.** Sign, **do not print**, your full name and fill in the date. Registrations that are not signed or that contain alterations to the Certification Statement will not be processed.

### Page 2 of the Paper Examination Registration Form (see sample on page 7):

**Please Note: Mailing address MUST be within the United States, its territories, or Canada.**

7. **Street Address.** Print your permanent street address in the spaces provided. All correspondence, including notification of ATT, will be forwarded to the address indicated.
8. **City.** Print the name of your city in the spaces provided.
9. **State/Territory or Province Code.** Print the two-letter abbreviation for the state/territory or province where you reside in the spaces provided. Refer to the listing on page 3 for the state/territory and province codes.
10. **Zip/Postal Code.** Print your zip or postal code in the spaces provided.
11. **Country.** Indicate whether your mailing address is in the United States or Canada.

### Page 3 of the Paper Examination Registration Form (see sample on page 8):

12. **Home Telephone.** Enter your home telephone number, including area code. This number will be used if it is necessary to contact you about your registration.
13. **Work Telephone.** Enter your work telephone number, including area code. This number will be used if it is necessary to contact you about your registration.
14. **School Code.** Using the School Code List on pages 4 and 5, locate the code for the school of pharmacy from which you have received or will receive your pharmacy degree. Print the numerical school code in the spaces provided. If the school is not listed, use code “999.”
15. **Date of Graduation.** Enter the month and year of the date on which you have graduated, or anticipate graduating, from the school you entered in box 14. “Date of Graduation” is defined as the date on which your degree is conferred. For graduation months less than 10, enter a zero in the first “month” box (eg, if you graduated in June 1996, you would fill in the box for month as “06” and for year as “1996”).

- 16. Pharmacy Degree Held.** Indicate the degree in pharmacy you received, or will receive, upon graduation.
- 17. FPGEE.** Indicate your participation in the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination® (FPGEE®) program. If you have participated in the FPGEE you must also complete box 18. If you have taken the FPGEE but have not passed it, fill in the circle marked “Yes/Failed.” If you have taken the FPGEE and have received notice you passed the examination, but have not received a Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Committee™ (FPGEC®) Certificate, fill in the circle marked “Yes/Passed.” If you have taken the FPGEE and received your FPGEC Certificate, fill in the circle marked “Yes/Certified.” If you have not participated in the FPGEE, please fill in the circle marked “Never” and move on to box 19.
- 18. EE Number.** If you have participated in the FPGEC Certification Program, you have been assigned an equivalency examination (EE) number. Print your EE number in the spaces provided, one number per box.
- 19. Have You Ever Taken the NAPLEX or NAPLEX?** Indicate whether or not you have previously taken the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) and/or the NAPLEX.
- 20. Have You Ever Taken the MPJE?** Indicate whether you have or have not ever taken the MPJE for any state.
- 21. Are You Submitting this Registration to Retake the MPJE for the Same State?** Indicate whether or not you are retaking the MPJE for the same state.
- 22. Are You Taking the MPJE for the Purpose of Transferring Your License?** Indicate whether or not you are taking the MPJE to reciprocate your license.
- 23. State in Which You are Seeking Licensure.** From the listing on page 3, indicate the state in which you are seeking licensure in this box. This state is considered your primary jurisdiction for licensure. **NAPLEX ONLY:** Candidates must select one jurisdiction as the PRIMARY jurisdiction for licensure. Your primary jurisdiction should be the one in which you intend to immediately complete all requirements for licensure, and to which you will submit the paper Examination Registration Form. The primary jurisdiction will qualify you to take the examination. Questions regarding a state’s licensure requirements should be directed to the state board of pharmacy.

**Page 4 of the Paper Examination Registration Form (See sample on page 9):**

Page 4 of the Registration Form is to be completed by NABP and by the board of pharmacy of the jurisdiction in which you are seeking licensure. **DO NOT WRITE ON THIS PAGE.**

**State/Territory and Province Code List**

Use the following two-letter abbreviation codes when completing the state/territory and province information on the paper Examination Registration Form.

<b>State/Territory</b>	<b>Code</b>
Alabama	AL
Alaska	AK
Arizona	AZ
Arkansas	AR
California	CA
Colorado	CO
Connecticut	CT
Delaware	DE
District of Columbia	DC
Florida	FL
Georgia	GA
Guam	GU
Hawaii	HI
Idaho	ID
Illinois	IL
Indiana	IN
Iowa	IA
Kansas	KS
Kentucky	KY
Louisiana	LA
Maine	ME
Maryland	MD
Massachusetts	MA
Michigan	MI
Minnesota	MN
Mississippi	MS
Missouri	MO
Montana	MT
Nebraska	NE
Nevada	NV
New Hampshire	NH
New Jersey	NJ
New Mexico	NM
New York	NY
North Carolina	NC
North Dakota	ND
Ohio	OH
Oklahoma	OK
Oregon	OR
Pennsylvania	PA
Puerto Rico	PR
Rhode Island	RI
South Carolina	SC

South Dakota	SD	IA	019	Drake University
Tennessee	TN	IA	020	University of Iowa
Texas	TX	KS	021	University of Kansas
Utah	UT	KY	022	University of Kentucky
Vermont	VT	LA	023	University of Louisiana, Monroe (formerly known as Northeast Louisiana University)
Virgin Islands	VI	LA	024	Xavier University of Louisiana
Virginia	VA	MD	025	University of Maryland
Washington	WA	MA	026	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, <b>Boston</b>
West Virginia	WV	MA	085	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, <b>Worcester</b>
Wisconsin	WI	MA	027	Northeastern University
Wyoming	WY	MI	028	Ferris State University
		MI	029	University of Michigan
		MI	030	Wayne State University
		MN	031	University of Minnesota
		MS	032	University of Mississippi
		MO	033	St Louis College of Pharmacy
		MO	034	University of Missouri, Kansas City
		MT	035	University of Montana
		NE	036	Creighton University
		NE	037	University of Nebraska
		NJ	038	Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey
		NM	039	University of New Mexico
		NV	087	University of Southern Nevada
		NY	040	Columbia University
		NY	041	Fordham University
		NY	042	Long Island University
		NY	043	St John's University
		NY	044	State University of New York at Buffalo
		NY	045	Albany College of Pharmacy
		NC	046	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
		NC	075	Campbell University
		NC	092	Wingate University
		ND	047	North Dakota State University
		OH	048	Ohio Northern University
		OH	049	Ohio State University
		OH	050	University of Cincinnati Medical Center
		OH	051	University of Toledo
		OK	052	Southwestern Oklahoma State University
		OK	053	University of Oklahoma
		OR	054	Oregon State University
		PA	055	Duquesne University
		PA	088	Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy
		PA	056	University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
		PA	057	Temple University
		PA	058	University of Pittsburgh
		PA	080	Wilkes University
		PR	059	University of Puerto Rico
		RI	060	University of Rhode Island
		SC	061	Medical University of South Carolina

**Province Code**

Alberta	AB
British Columbia	BC
Manitoba	MB
New Brunswick	NB
Northwest Territory	NT
Nova Scotia	NS
Ontario	ON
Prince Edward Island	PE
Quebec	PQ
Saskatchewan	SK
Yukon	YT

**School Code List**

Use the following numeric codes when completing the school information on the paper Examination Registration Form.

**State/Territory**

<b>State</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>School</b>
AL	001	Auburn University
AL	002	Samford University
AZ	082	Midwestern University—Glendale
AZ	003	University of Arizona
AR	004	University of Arkansas
CA	005	University of California, San Francisco
CA	006	University of the Pacific
CA	007	University of Southern California
CA	084	Western University of Health Sciences
CA	089	Loma Linda University
CA	090	University of California, San Diego
CO	008	University of Colorado
CT	009	University of Connecticut
DC	010	Howard University
FL	011	Florida A & M University
FL	076	Nova Southeastern University
FL	086	Palm Beach Atlantic College
FL	012	University of Florida
GA	013	Mercer University
GA	091	South University
GA	014	University of Georgia
ID	015	Idaho State University
IL	016	University of Illinois, Chicago
IL	077	Midwestern University
IN	017	Butler University
IN	018	Purdue University

SC	062	University of South Carolina
SD	063	South Dakota State University
TN	064	University of Tennessee, Memphis
TX	065	Texas Southern University
TX	078	Texas Tech University
TX	066	University of Houston
TX	067	University of Texas at Austin
UT	068	University of Utah
VA	083	Hampton University
VA	081	Shenandoah University
VA	069	Virginia Commonwealth University
WA	070	University of Washington
WA	071	Washington State University
WV	072	West Virginia University
WI	073	University of Wisconsin-Madison
WY	074	University of Wyoming

**Lebanon**

300 Lebanese American University

**Other**

999 Other

**Canadian Schools**

200 University of Alberta  
 201 University of British Columbia  
 202 Dalhousie University  
 203 Université Laval  
 204 University of Manitoba  
 205 Memorial University of Newfoundland  
 206 Université de Montréal  
 207 University of Saskatchewan  
 208 University of Toronto





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STATE BOARD FOR  
AN APPLICATION OR  
APPLY ONLINE AT  
[WWW.NABP.NET](http://WWW.NABP.NET)

The form consists of the following sections:

- 12**: Personal information fields (Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Phone, Email).
- 13**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 14**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 15**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 16**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 17**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 18**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 19**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 20**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 21**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 22**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).
- 23**: Identification information (Social Security Number, State License Number, Other License Number).



# Testing Appointment Information

## Testing Administration

The NAPLEX and MPJE are administered by Pearson VUE at its Pearson Professional Centers (PPCs) in the United States and its territories.

## Participating Jurisdictions

You must contact the board of pharmacy to confirm whether a specific jurisdiction requires the NAPLEX and/or MPJE. (See the “Board of Pharmacy Contacts” list on page 25.)

## Eligibility Requirements

To take the NAPLEX and/or MPJE, **candidates must meet the eligibility requirements of the board of pharmacy from which they are seeking licensure.** The board will determine your eligibility to take the examinations in accordance with the jurisdiction’s requirements. If the board determines that you are eligible to take the examinations, it will notify NABP of your eligibility. **Please note:** If a board of pharmacy has not made a candidate eligible to test within two years of the date that the candidate initially registered with NABP, then the candidate’s record will be closed and all fees will be forfeited.

**If you have questions concerning eligibility requirements, contact the board of pharmacy in the jurisdiction from which you are seeking licensure.** (See the “Board of Pharmacy Contacts” section on page 25.)

## Authorization to Test

Once the board of pharmacy determines you are eligible to take the examination and notifies NABP, an ATT will be issued to you by Pearson VUE either via e-mail (if provided to NABP in the Internet-based registration process) or via regular mail. The ATT includes the dates during which you will be eligible to take the examination, instructions on how to schedule your testing appointment, and other important information.

You must have your ATT before you schedule an appointment to take the examination. If you misplace your ATT, contact Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679.

Pearson VUE customer service is open Monday through Friday from 7 AM to 7 PM Central Standard Time. **ATTs and ATT numbers will not be given via phone or fax.**

## Scheduling Your Examination Appointment

Once you receive your ATT, you may schedule an appointment to test at any time during the eligibility period, depending upon availability at the PPC. Appointments are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Your ATT will indicate the time frame within which you may schedule your appointment. However, your board of pharmacy may have more stringent deadlines for completing all of your requirements for licensure. Make sure you schedule your examination in accordance with your state board’s required deadlines.

**You should schedule your appointment as soon as you receive your ATT.** Even if you do not want to test immediately, it is better to schedule early. Waiting to schedule your testing appointment may significantly limit the dates your preferred test center has available to seat you. Also, if you wait to schedule your appointment until the end of your eligibility period, an appointment may not be available prior to the eligibility end date. If this occurs, no extensions of eligibility will be granted. You may be required to submit a new registration form and fees.

You must adhere to the following procedures when scheduling your appointment.

1. **You cannot make a testing appointment until you receive your ATT.** You may schedule your examination at a PPC through the Pearson VUE Web site ([www.pearsonvue.com/nabp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/nabp)) or by calling Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679. Make sure to have your ATT available when you schedule your appointment. Candidates with approved special testing accommodations must schedule testing appointments through Pearson VUE’s customer service number. If you are a candidate who has been approved to test with special accommodations, please let the customer service agent know you have been approved when you call to schedule your appointment.
2. To schedule your examination online, visit [www.pearsonvue.com/nabp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/nabp). Follow the instructions to set up a Web account and select your preferred testing location, date, and time.
3. If you choose to call Pearson VUE’s customer service department to schedule an appointment, you will be asked to verify your identity, including verification of your candidate identification number (which will be provided on your ATT letter or

e-mail), and confirm which NABP examination you have been authorized to take.

4. The Pearson VUE customer service agent will search by location closest to the address you provided on your application to your board of pharmacy, or, if you have a preferred site, the agent can search that site for appointment availability. To review the locations of the PPCs, please visit [www.pearsonvue.com/nabp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/nabp).
5. Once your appointment has been scheduled, you will receive a confirmation letter or e-mail that provides the details of your examination appointment, directions to your selected test center, and instructions and policies on rescheduling and cancelling your examination appointment.

### Scheduling for Special Testing Accommodations

Candidates approved for special testing accommodations by their board of pharmacy should schedule examination appointments by contacting Pearson VUE's customer service department at 1-888/709-2679.

### Changing Your Examination Appointment

To cancel or reschedule your examination appointment you may do so via your Pearson VUE

Web account at [www.pearsonvue.com/nabp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/nabp) or by calling Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679.

Candidates approved for special accommodations must contact Pearson VUE's customer service department to cancel or reschedule an examination appointment.

Cancellations and rescheduled appointments must be made at least two business days prior to your scheduled appointment. For example, if you are scheduled to test at 9 AM on Monday, you must call by 9 AM on the previous Thursday to cancel or reschedule your appointment. Your appointment is not cancelled or rescheduled until you receive a confirmation from Pearson VUE.

**If you fail to arrive for your appointment or cancel without giving the required notice, you will forfeit your testing fee. There are NO exceptions to this policy.** You will need to submit new registration fees to NABP in order to receive a new ATT and schedule a new appointment.

### Testing Centers

The NAPLEX and MPJE are available through Pearson VUE's PPCs, which are located in all 50 of the United States, its territories, and the District of Columbia.

# NAPLEX/MPJE

## Administration

### On the Day of the Examination

Review the following information before your examination administration.

1. Plan to arrive at the test center at least 30 minutes before your scheduled testing time to allow for check-in procedures. Most candidates will begin their testing session within 30 minutes after their scheduled appointment time. If circumstances arise causing you to wait more than 30 minutes after your scheduled appointment time, you will be given the choice of continuing to wait or rescheduling your appointment without an additional charge.  
If you arrive at the test center 30 minutes after your scheduled appointment, and are refused admission to sit for the examination, you will be required to forfeit your appointment. **If you forfeit your appointment, there will be no refund of your testing fee.**
2. When you arrive at the test center, you will be required to present two forms of identification (ID). You must present a picture ID that includes your signature and a second form of ID. (More information is included in the “Identification Requirements” section below.) Your test administrator will instruct you to put all personal belongings in a locker and provide instructions on where to keep your identification. Each time you enter and leave the testing room, your identity will be verified.
3. You will be required to sign your name into a signature pad, have your fingerprint taken, and have your photograph taken by the test center administrator. In addition, you will be required to read and agree to a Rules Agreement.
4. Once you have been admitted, the test center administrator will escort you to a workstation. You must remain in your seat during the examination, except when authorized to leave by a test center administrator in accordance with NABP policies and procedures. Candidates may not leave the testing center for any reason during their scheduled examination appointment. If you leave the testing room without permission or the testing center for any reason prior to completing your examination, you will forfeit your appointment to test and you

will be required to reapply for the examination. **There will be no refund of your testing fee.**

5. The administrator will provide you with an erasable note board and pen, which may be replaced as needed during testing. You may not remove the note boards or pens from the testing room at any time. You will not be allowed to take your own scratch paper or pencil into the testing room.  
**NAPLEX ONLY:** An on-screen, five-function calculator (ie, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and square root or percentage) can be activated during the examination for your use. You may also request a hand-held, five-function calculator from the testing center administrator at any time.
6. Raise your hand to notify the administrator if you:
  - ◆ think you have problems with your computer;
  - ◆ need to replace the erasable note board or pen;
  - ◆ need to take a break; or
  - ◆ need the administrator for any other reason.
7. The seating time for the examinations is as follows:
  - ◆ NAPLEX – four hours and 15 minutes with an optional 10-minute break after approximately two hours of testing time.
  - ◆ MPJE – two hours, with no break.**Any voluntary breaks other than the optional break allowed in the NAPLEX will be subtracted from your testing time.** Your thumb print will be your form of identification to re-enter the testing room. Remember, the computer-adaptive format of the examinations requires that **ALL** test questions be answered in the order in which they are presented. You will **NOT** be allowed to skip a question or return to a previous question to review your answer. Once you have confirmed an answer choice and have moved on to the next question, you **CANNOT** return to the previous question to change your answer.
8. When you have completed your time on the examination and/or the end-of-examination survey, the test administrator will collect your note board and pen and walk you through the check-out process.

### Identification Requirements

The ID requirements for admission to the testing center consist of a primary form of ID that contains both your signature and a recent photograph of you, and a

secondary form of ID that contains your signature. **The printed name on both your primary and secondary forms of ID must be the same as the name that appears on your ATT.** It is acceptable for your ID to contain your full middle name as long as the middle initial on your ATT matches the first letter of your middle name. If your name has changed since you registered to test, you must bring documentation of your legal name with you to the test center on the day of the test. Forms of ID that have EXPIRED are NOT considered to be valid.

You must present one of the following acceptable IDs, which must be current (not expired) and contain a recent recognizable photograph and your signature.

- ◆ Passport
- ◆ Military ID
- ◆ Drivers license

The ID above **must** be issued by either the US or Canada.

Acceptable forms of secondary ID, which must be current and contain the candidate's signature are:

- ◆ State/Canadian province ID
- ◆ Valid credit cards

Unacceptable ID documents include, but are not limited to, the following:

- ◆ ID with no photo (unless accompanied by another form of ID with photo)
- ◆ Expired passport
- ◆ Expired drivers license
- ◆ Draft classification card
- ◆ Letter of identity from a notary
- ◆ Social Security Card
- ◆ Employee ID

You will **NOT** be admitted to the examination without the proper ID, and you will **NOT** have an opportunity to reschedule your testing appointment. **There will be no refund of your testing fee.** You will be required to pay an additional fee to schedule again.

### Your Name/Name Change

If the name with which you have registered is different from the name on your ID, you must bring legal name-change documentation with you to the test center on the day of your test. **The only acceptable forms of legal documentation are marriage license, divorce decree, and/or court action legal name change documents. All documents must be in English. All documents must be the original document.** Candidates wishing to make a legal name change **must** contact their board of pharmacy and NABP. This cannot be done at the test center.

### Test Center Restrictions

To ensure that examination results for all candidates are earned under comparable conditions and represent fair and accurate measurement of a candidate's

individual skills, knowledge, and competence, it is necessary to maintain a standardized and secure testing environment. Therefore, all candidates must adhere to the following regulations:

- ◆ No reference, study, or other materials or devices may be brought into the testing center.
- ◆ Candidates will not be allowed to take anything into the testing room at the PPC other than those items given to them by the test center administrator and their ID documents (eg, passport, drivers license). Prohibited items will not be allowed into the testing room. **Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, the following:** pagers, calculators, cell phones, electronic digital devices (eg, personal digital assistants, watches), recording devices, weapons, photographic devices, briefcases, computers or computer bags, handbags/purses, book bags or backpacks, wallets, books, outerwear (coats, hats), food, beverages, facial tissue, and contents of pockets. You will be required to leave your personal belongings outside the testing room. Secure storage will be provided, but space is limited. Test centers assume no responsibility for candidates' personal belongings.
- ◆ Use of tobacco is not allowed in the testing room.
- ◆ Friends or relatives who accompany you will not be permitted to wait in the test center or test room during your admission or during your examination, and are not permitted to contact you while you are taking the examination.
- ◆ Candidates cannot leave the test center during the examination. If the candidate leaves the testing center or room at any time during an examination, administration of the examination will be terminated and the candidate's examination score will be invalidated.

### Security Measures

The NAPLEX and MPJE are the property of NABP and are confidential examinations that are protected by trade secret law, copyright law, and other applicable state and federal laws and regulations. The NAPLEX and/or MPJE will be made available to the examination candidate solely for the purpose of becoming eligible for licensure in the field of pharmacy.

Examination candidates are expressly prohibited from disclosing, publishing, reproducing, transmitting, receiving without authorization, or making available the examinations including, but not limited to, examination question format, questions, profiles, and scenarios, in whole or in part, in any form and by any means, whether verbal, written, electronic, or mechanical for any purpose.

If NABP obtains information indicating a candidate disclosed, published, reproduced, transmitted, received without authorization, or made available any portion of

the examination, as described above, in any form to/from individuals, organizations, study groups, or the like, such candidate forfeits the right to have his or her examination graded, NABP may invalidate such candidate's examination score, and/or NABP may initiate civil, criminal, and/or administrative proceedings that may result in civil penalties, criminal punishments, and/or disciplinary action including licensure revocation by the candidate's board of pharmacy.

Numerous security measures will be enforced during the test administration to ensure the integrity of the programs. Be aware that you will be observed at all times while taking the examination. This observation may include direct observation by test center staff, as well as video and audio recording of your testing session.

**Examinations cannot be viewed, copied, or studied by any individuals.** Copying or retaining test questions or transmitting the test questions in any form to other individuals, organizations, or study groups will result in forfeiting your right to have your examination graded and may result in civil prosecution by NABP and disciplinary action by your board of pharmacy.

### Misconduct

Individuals who engage in any of the following conduct forfeit their testing fees and will be dismissed from the test administration and their test scores will not be reported to the board of pharmacy.

Examples of misconduct are when a candidate:

- ◆ uses electronic communications or recording equipment including, but not limited to, a personal digital assistant, camera, pager, or cellular phones;
- ◆ during the examination gives, receives, or attempts to give or receive help with the following including, but not limited to, examination questions, examination answers, completing or copying the examination;
- ◆ attempts to take the examination for someone else;
- ◆ uses notes, books, or other aids during the examination;
- ◆ brings any materials, devices, or items to the test center that may compromise the administration of any candidate's examination;
- ◆ fails, after a warning, to follow an administrator's instructions;
- ◆ removes or attempts to remove scratch paper, note boards, pens, or examination questions, answers, or content from the test center;
- ◆ tampers with the operation of the computer or attempts to use it for any function other than taking the examination;
- ◆ creates a disturbance of any kind;

- ◆ shares information about the examination including, but not limited to, examination questions, examination answers, or examination profiles, with an unauthorized persons; or
- ◆ leaves the testing room or testing center without permission or without complying with the applicable procedures.

### Group Irregularities

Unlike cases of individual candidate misconduct, occasionally testing irregularities occur that affect a group of test takers. Such problems include, without limitation, administrative errors, defective equipment or materials, improper access to test content and/or the unauthorized general availability of test content, as well as other disruptions of test administrations (eg, natural disasters and other emergencies). When group testing irregularities occur, Pearson VUE will conduct an investigation to provide information to NABP. Based on this information, NABP may direct Pearson VUE either not to score the test or to cancel the test score. If NABP deems it appropriate to do so, NABP will arrange with Pearson VUE to give affected test takers the opportunity to take the test again as soon as possible, without charge. Affected test takers will be notified of the reasons for the cancellation and their options for retaking the test. The appeal process does not apply to group testing irregularities.

### What to Do in Case of Inclement Weather

In the event of a testing center closing due to inclement weather, Pearson VUE will attempt to contact the candidate to reschedule the appointment; however, it is the responsibility of the individual candidate to contact Pearson VUE to determine if the test center is open and/or to reschedule his or her appointment.

If the PPC where the candidate is scheduled to test is open and the candidate does not keep his or her scheduled appointment, the candidate forfeits all fees and no portion of the examination fee will be refunded.

### If Your Computer Experiences Technical Difficulties

On rare occasions, technical difficulties occur at the testing center. If you experience a computer technical difficulty, notify the test center administrator immediately. Every effort will be made to correct any difficulties as quickly as possible. Should the testing center experience a loss of power, back-up systems are in place and every reasonable effort will be made to retrieve testing data. Once power is restored, candidates will be able to continue their testing sessions from the point at which they were interrupted.

If technical issues cause you to wait more than 30 minutes after your scheduled appointment time, or a

restart delay lasts longer than 30 minutes, you will be given the choice of continuing to wait or rescheduling your appointment without an additional fee.

If you choose not to reschedule, but rather test after a delay, you will have no other options and your testing results will be considered valid. If you choose to reschedule your appointment or the technical issue cannot be resolved, you will be allowed to test at a later date, at no additional charge and without a required waiting period.

### Retake Policy

**NAPLEX:** Candidates who have taken the NAPLEX and did not pass, and/or candidates who

are seeking primary licensure in more than one state, must wait a **minimum of 91 days** between administrations.

**MPJE:** Candidates who have taken the MPJE and did not pass must wait a **minimum of 30 days** to retake the examination for the **same** jurisdiction.

This is an important policy that allows NABP to be certain all candidates receive a valid examination.

Contact the state board of pharmacy for which you are seeking licensure regarding additional waiting periods.

# NAPLEX/MPJE

## Score Results

### Your NAPLEX Score Results

The NAPLEX is the means by which boards of pharmacy assess the entry-level competence of candidates for licensure. Any other use of individual NAPLEX scores is inappropriate and is not condoned by NABP.

**NABP will forward your NAPLEX score to the board of pharmacy from which you are seeking licensure. NABP does NOT provide scores to candidates, and score results are NOT released at the test center. Contact your board of pharmacy if you have questions regarding how scores are distributed/released.**

By applying to take the NAPLEX, you authorize NABP to release your test scores to your designated board of pharmacy.

To receive a test score, you must have completed at least 162 questions on the examination. Candidates completing less than 162 questions will **NOT** have their scores reported. Candidates who complete at least 162 questions, but fewer than 185 questions, will have a penalty applied and their scores adjusted to reflect the number of questions that remained unanswered. Therefore, it is in the candidate's best interest to answer all questions presented.

The minimum acceptable passing score on the NAPLEX scale is 75. **The passing score reported is NOT a percentage value.** The score is calculated by first determining the candidate's ability level on the NAPLEX and then comparing the candidate's ability level to the predetermined minimum acceptable ability level established for the NAPLEX.

The passing standard has been established by a panel of pharmacy experts, and the ability level that defines the passing standard is the same for all NAPLEX administrations.

Score reports for candidates who receive a failing score on the NAPLEX will include a diagnostic report, which indicates their relative performance in each major competency area. Because of the secure nature of the NAPLEX, **no further review of the test question is allowed.** Scores are submitted to the boards of pharmacy on a daily basis. Candidates will receive scores for the NAPLEX directly from their boards of pharmacy.

### Your MPJE Score Results

The MPJE is the means by which boards of pharmacy assess pharmacist licensure candidates' knowledge of pharmacy jurisprudence. Any other use of individual MPJE scores is inappropriate and is not condoned by NABP.

NABP will forward your MPJE score to the board of pharmacy from which you are seeking licensure. **NABP does NOT provide scores to candidates and score results are NOT released at the test center.**

By applying to take the MPJE, you authorize NABP to release your test scores to your board of pharmacy.

To receive a test score, you must have completed at least 77 questions on the examination. Candidates completing fewer than 77 questions will **NOT** have their scores reported. Candidates who complete at least 77 questions, but fewer than 90 questions, will have a penalty applied and their scores adjusted to reflect the number of questions that remained unanswered. Therefore, it is in the candidate's best interest to answer all questions presented.

The minimum acceptable passing score on the MPJE scale is 75. **The passing score reported is NOT a percentage value.** The score is calculated by first determining the candidate's ability level on the MPJE and then comparing the candidate's ability level to the predetermined minimum acceptable ability level established for the MPJE.

The passing standard has been established by a panel of pharmacy experts, and the ability level that defines the passing standard is the same for all MPJE administrations.

The board of pharmacy will notify the candidate of the MPJE results. Because of the secure nature of the MPJE, **review of the test questions is not allowed.**

Because the MPJE is unique to the state or jurisdiction in which you seek licensure, it is **not** possible to transfer your MPJE score to another state.

### NAPLEX and MPJE Score Review

On occasion, a candidate may believe that the score reported is not accurate. Please note that prior to the release of NAPLEX or MPJE scores to the boards of pharmacy, all scores are carefully validated. You will be able to have your NAPLEX or MPJE score verified for a fee of \$100 for each examination. The

fee must be submitted in the form of a money order, bank draft, or a certified check payable to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy or NABP. The request must be submitted in writing and the \$100 fee must accompany the letter. In your written request you must include your name, Social Security number, address, and phone number. You will be informed in writing of the score review within two to four weeks.

# Computer-Adaptive NAPLEX

## What is the NAPLEX?

The NAPLEX is a computer-adaptive examination that consists of 185 multiple-choice test questions. Of these, 150 questions will be used to calculate your test score. The remaining 35 items serve as pretest questions, and do not affect your NAPLEX score. Pretest questions are administered to evaluate items' difficulty level for possible inclusion as scored questions in future examinations. These pretest questions are dispersed throughout the examination and cannot be identified by the candidate.

A majority of the questions on the NAPLEX are asked in a scenario-based format (ie, patient profiles with accompanying test questions). To properly analyze and answer the questions presented, you must refer to the information provided in the patient profile. Interspersed among these profile-based questions are "stand-alone questions," whose answers are drawn solely from the information provided in the question.

## The Computer-Adaptive Format

A computer-adaptive examination is inherently different from a paper-and-pencil examination. The goal of a computer-adaptive test is to measure a candidate's knowledge and ability. The test is **adaptive** because the computer selects questions for each candidate based on his or her unique ability level.

When you take the NAPLEX, the computer's technology will assess your answers before presenting the next test question. If you answer a question correctly, the computer will select a more difficult question from the test item pool in an appropriate content area. If you answer a question incorrectly, an easier question will be selected by the computer. In this way, the computer's technology directs questions to you that match your specific ability level.

An estimate of your ability level will be determined based on the difficulty level of the questions you have answered correctly. This difficulty level determination will then be used to calculate your NAPLEX score.

**Please Note:** Because the computer-adaptive NAPLEX presents questions to you based on your responses to previous questions, **YOU CANNOT CHANGE AN ANSWER ONCE YOU HAVE CONFIRMED AN ANSWER CHOICE OR GO**

## BACK AND REVIEW A QUESTION ONCE YOU HAVE MOVED ON TO THE NEXT QUESTION.

You must answer **ALL** questions in the order in which they are presented, and you may **NOT** skip a question. Remember, the computer-adaptive format of the examinations requires that **ALL** test questions be answered in the order in which they are presented. Examination questions are selected for you based on your answers to previous questions.

## NAPLEX Competency Statements

The NAPLEX Competency Statements provide a blueprint of the topics covered on the examination. They offer important information about the knowledge, judgment, and skills you are expected to demonstrate as an entry-level pharmacist. A strong understanding of the Competency Statements will aid in your preparation to take the examination.

### Area 1 Assure Safe and Effective Pharmacotherapy and Optimize Therapeutic Outcomes (Approximately 54% of Test)

- 1.1.0 *Obtain, interpret and evaluate patient information to determine the presence of a disease or medical condition, assess the need for treatment and/or referral, and identify patient-specific factors that affect health, pharmacotherapy, and/or disease management.*
  - 1.1.1 Identify and assess patient information including medication, laboratory and disease state histories.
  - 1.1.2 Identify and/or use instruments and techniques related to patient assessment and diagnosis.
  - 1.1.3 Identify and define the terminology, signs, and symptoms associated with diseases and medical conditions.
  - 1.1.4 Identify and evaluate patient factors, genetic factors, biosocial factors, and concurrent drug therapy that are relevant to the maintenance of wellness and the prevention or treatment of a disease or medical condition.

- 1.2.0 *Identify, evaluate, and communicate to the patient or health-care provider, the appropriateness of the patient's specific pharmacotherapeutic agents, dosing regimens, dosage forms, routes of administration, and delivery systems.*
- 1.2.1 Identify specific uses and indications for drug products.
  - 1.2.2 Identify the known or postulated sites and mechanisms of action of pharmacotherapeutic agents.
  - 1.2.3 Evaluate drug therapy for the presence of pharmacotherapeutic duplications and interactions with other drugs, food, diagnostic tests, and monitoring procedures.
  - 1.2.4 Identify contraindications, warnings and precautions associated with a drug product's active and inactive ingredients.
  - 1.2.5 Identify physicochemical properties of drug substances that affect their solubility, pharmacodynamic and pharmacokinetic properties, pharmacologic actions, and stability.
  - 1.2.6 Interpret and apply pharmacodynamic and pharmacokinetic principles to calculate and determine appropriate drug dosing regimens.
  - 1.2.7 Interpret and apply biopharmaceutic principles and the pharmaceutical characteristics of drug dosage forms and delivery systems, to assure bioavailability and enhance patient compliance.
- 1.3.0 *Manage the drug regimen by monitoring and assessing the patient and/or patient information, collaborating with other health care professionals, and providing patient education.*
- 1.3.1 Identify pharmacotherapeutic outcomes and endpoints.
  - 1.3.2 Evaluate patient signs and symptoms, and the results of monitoring tests and procedures to determine the safety and effectiveness of pharmacotherapy.
  - 1.3.3 Identify, describe the mechanism of, and remedy adverse reactions, allergies, side effects and iatrogenic or drug-induced illness.
  - 1.3.4 Prevent, recognize, and remedy medication non-adherence, misuse or abuse.
  - 1.3.5 Recommend pharmacotherapeutic alternatives.

## **Area 2 Assure Safe and Accurate Preparation and Dispensing of Medications (Approximately 35% of Test)**

- 2.1.0 *Perform calculations required to compound, dispense, and administer medication.*
- 2.1.1 Calculate the quantity of medication to be compounded or dispensed; reduce and enlarge formulation quantities and calculate the quantity of ingredients needed to compound the proper amount of the preparation.
  - 2.1.2 Calculate nutritional needs and the caloric content of nutrient sources.
  - 2.1.3 Calculate the rate of drug administration.
  - 2.1.4 Calculate or convert drug concentrations, ratio strengths, and/or extent of ionization.
- 2.2.0 *Select and dispense medications in a manner that promotes safe and effective use.*
- 2.2.1 Identify drug products by their generic, brand, and/or common names.
  - 2.2.2 Determine whether a particular drug dosage strength or dosage form is commercially available, and whether it is available on a nonprescription basis.
  - 2.2.3 Identify commercially available drug products by their characteristic physical attributes.
  - 2.2.4 Interpret and apply pharmacokinetic parameters and quality assurance data to determine equivalence among manufactured drug products, and identify products for which documented evidence of inequivalence exists.
  - 2.2.5 Identify and communicate appropriate information regarding packaging, storage, handling, administration, and disposal of medications.
  - 2.2.6 Identify and describe the use of equipment and apparatus required to administer medications.
- 2.3.0 *Prepare and compound extemporaneous preparations and sterile products.*
- 2.3.1 Identify and describe techniques and procedures related to drug preparation, compounding, and quality assurance.
  - 2.3.2 Identify and use equipment necessary to prepare and extemporaneously compound medications.
  - 2.3.3 Identify the important physicochemical properties of a preparation's active and inactive ingredients; describe the mechanism of, and the characteristic evidence of incompatibility or degradation; and identify methods

for achieving stabilization of the preparation.

**Area 3 Provide Health Care Information and Promote Public Health (Approximately 11% of Test)**

3.1.0 *Access, evaluate, and apply information to promote optimal health care.*

3.1.1 Identify the typical content and organization of specific sources of drug and health information for both health-care providers and consumers.

3.1.2 Evaluate the suitability, accuracy, and reliability of information from reference sources by explaining and evaluating the adequacy of experimental design and by applying and evaluating statistical tests and parameters.

3.2.0 *Educate the public and health-care professionals regarding medical conditions, wellness, dietary supplements, and medical devices.*

3.2.1 Provide health care information regarding the prevention and treatment of diseases and medical conditions, including emergency patient care.

3.2.2 Provide health care information regarding nutrition, lifestyle, and other non-drug measures that are effective in promoting health or preventing or minimizing the progression of a disease or medical condition.

3.2.3 Provide information regarding the documented uses, adverse effects and toxicities of dietary supplements.

3.2.4 Provide information regarding the selection, use and care of medical/surgical appliances and devices, self-care products, and durable medical equipment, as well as products and techniques for self-monitoring of health status and medical conditions.

# Pre-NAPLEX

## What is the Pre-NAPLEX?

**Preparing for the NAPLEX is much easier when students use the Pre-NAPLEX®.** The only NAPLEX practice examination written and developed by NABP, the Pre-NAPLEX will familiarize students with the NAPLEX testing experience.

Because the Pre-NAPLEX is similar to the actual NAPLEX in many ways, students who take the Pre-NAPLEX will have a chance to “preview” the NAPLEX experience before examination day. In fact, the questions on the Pre-NAPLEX are actual questions that have previously appeared on the NAPLEX.

Students who complete the Pre-NAPLEX will not only be able to practice for the NAPLEX, but will also be given an estimated, scaled score based on their answers to the Pre-NAPLEX questions. Pre-NAPLEX scores are interpreted in a similar fashion as the NAPLEX. Please note that, like other practice examinations, students’ scores on the Pre-NAPLEX will be similar to what they can expect to receive on the NAPLEX, but may not be the actual score attained, nor is it a guarantee of passing the NAPLEX.

For added convenience, the Pre-NAPLEX is Internet based so it can be accessed at home, the library, school, or work. The Pre-NAPLEX consists of 50 questions; two forms of the Pre-NAPLEX are available. The cost for each Pre-NAPLEX attempt is \$50. Students can sit for the Pre-NAPLEX at any time on any day.

## Pre-NAPLEX Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### What is the Pre-NAPLEX?

The Pre-NAPLEX is the only NAPLEX practice examination written and developed by NABP. It is meant to help familiarize students with the NAPLEX testing experience.

### Who should take the Pre-NAPLEX?

The Pre-NAPLEX is intended to benefit pharmacy students who are preparing for the NAPLEX. However, anyone who is interested may register and take the Pre-NAPLEX. There are no eligibility requirements to take the Pre-NAPLEX.

## How can the Pre-NAPLEX help candidates prepare for the NAPLEX?

The Pre-NAPLEX is similar to the actual NAPLEX in many ways; thus, students who take the Pre-NAPLEX will have the chance to “preview” the NAPLEX experience before examination day.

## Are the questions on the Pre-NAPLEX similar to actual NAPLEX questions?

The questions on the Pre-NAPLEX are actual questions that have previously appeared on the NAPLEX examination. Each of the two forms contains both stand-alone and profile items based on the same blueprint used for the NAPLEX.

## How is the Pre-NAPLEX scored?

The Pre-NAPLEX is scored in a similar fashion as the NAPLEX. Students who complete the examination will be given an estimated scaled score based on their answers to the Pre-NAPLEX questions. Candidates will have the ability to print their score report for their personal records. Pre-NAPLEX scores will not be released to anyone other than the candidate.

## What should candidates do to prepare for the Pre-NAPLEX?

Preparing for the Pre-NAPLEX should at the very least include reviewing the NAPLEX Competency Statements and the associated skills and knowledge base of an entry-level pharmacist. The NAPLEX Competency Statements can be accessed on pages 18 to 20 of this *NAPLEX/MPJE Registration Bulletin*.

## How does a candidate’s performance on the Pre-NAPLEX relate to his or her performance on the actual NAPLEX?

Similar to other practice examinations, a candidate’s score on the Pre-NAPLEX is similar to what he or she can expect to receive on the NAPLEX, but may not be the actual score attained, nor is it a guarantee of passing the actual examination.

## Do candidates get to review the questions?

No. Since the Pre-NAPLEX is designed to prepare like the actual NAPLEX, reviewing a completed examination and “going back” during the examination is not permitted.

### **Can candidates obtain a printed version of the Pre-NAPLEX?**

No. The Pre-NAPLEX was created to simulate taking the NAPLEX, which is only administered via a computer.

### **Where can the Pre-NAPLEX be accessed?**

The Pre-NAPLEX can be accessed by visiting [www.pre-naplex.com](http://www.pre-naplex.com) or [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net).

### **How much does the Pre-NAPLEX cost and how do candidates submit payment?**

Each attempt at the Pre-NAPLEX is \$50. Candidates will register online, and may use any major credit card.

### **Can a candidate take the Pre-NAPLEX more than once?**

Yes, candidates may take the Pre-NAPLEX up to two times. When registering and paying for the Pre-NAPLEX, the computer randomly delivers one of the two unique forms. If a candidate chooses to take the Pre-NAPLEX on multiple occasions, a different form will be administered each time.

### **What are the minimum system requirements to take the Pre-NAPLEX?**

To take the Pre-NAPLEX, a computer running either Microsoft Windows or Mac OS operating system software is required and must meet the following system requirements:

- ◆ Internet Explorer 5.5 or above (5.0 for Macintosh) or Netscape Communicator 7.0 or above, with text size set to medium or smaller

- ◆ Reliable Internet access (high-speed connection preferred for optimal performance)
- ◆ Disk cache (Netscape browsers) or temporary Internet file folder (Microsoft browsers) of 50 MB or more
- ◆ At least 128 MB RAM and system configuration recommended for the operating system and browser
- ◆ Compatible Mac Operating Systems: Mac OS 9.1, 9.2, OS X, OS X 10.1
- ◆ Compatible Windows Operating Systems: Windows 98, 2000, NT, XP
- ◆ Display resolution of 800 x 600 pixels and 16-bit color
- ◆ Access to a printer for score reports
- ◆ Disable all pop-up blockers

### **Who do I contact if I experience technical difficulties?**

Please contact Pearson VUE's Technical Support at 1-888/8ASK-CAT (1-888/827-5228) should you experience any computer problems while registering for or taking the Pre-NAPLEX.

### **How much time should candidates allocate to complete the Pre-NAPLEX?**

When taking the Pre-NAPLEX, candidates are allotted 70 minutes to complete the 50-question examination. This time limit is proportional to the time allowed on the NAPLEX examination. Please allow an additional 15-20 minutes to complete the registration process and the exit survey.

# Computer-Adaptive MPJE

## What is the MPJE?

The MPJE is based on a nationally uniform content blueprint, with questions that are tailored to assess the pharmacy jurisprudence requirements of individual states.

In cooperation with participating state boards of pharmacy, the MPJE is uniformly developed, administered, and scored under policies and procedures developed by NABP's Advisory Committee on Examinations and approved by NABP's Executive Committee. The content of the MPJE is approved by boards of pharmacy, practitioners, and educators from around the country through their service as MPJE Review Committee members, item writers, and board of pharmacy representatives.

All candidates are tested on their mastery of pharmacy law as outlined in the MPJE Competency Statements (page 24). Each participating state board of pharmacy approves those questions that are specific to the federal and state laws of the jurisdictions in which candidates are seeking licensure. **Candidates must take a separate examination for each state or jurisdiction in which they are seeking licensure.**

The MPJE is a two-hour, computer-adaptive examination that consists of 90 multiple-choice test questions. Of these, 60 questions will be used to calculate the test score. The remaining 30 items serve as pretest questions, and do **NOT** affect the MPJE score. Pretest questions are administered to evaluate items' difficulty level for possible inclusion as scored questions in future examinations. These pretest questions are dispersed throughout the examination and cannot be identified by the candidate.

## The Computer-Adaptive Format

A computer-adaptive examination is inherently different from a paper-and-pencil examination. Like many other tests, the goal of a computer-adaptive test is to measure a candidate's knowledge and ability. The test selects questions for each candidate based on his or her unique ability level.

When you take the MPJE, the computer's technology will assess your answers before presenting you with the next question. An estimate of your ability level will be determined based on the difficulty level of the questions you have answered correctly. This determination of the difficulty level will then be used to calculate your MPJE score.

**Please Note:** Because the computer-adaptive MPJE presents questions to you based on your responses to previous questions, **YOU CANNOT CHANGE AN ANSWER ONCE YOU HAVE CONFIRMED AN ANSWER CHOICE OR GO BACK AND REVIEW A QUESTION ONCE YOU HAVE MOVED ON TO THE NEXT QUESTION.**

You must answer **ALL** questions in the order in which they are presented, and you may **NOT** skip a question. Remember, the computer-adaptive format of the examinations requires that **ALL** test questions be answered in the order in which they are presented. Examination questions are selected for you based on your answers to previous questions.

Your formal education, training, practical experience, and self-study prepare you for the MPJE. The MPJE has been designed to assess how well you apply your knowledge, skills, and abilities to evaluate situations involving the applicable federal and state laws and regulations that govern the practice of pharmacy in the state in which you are seeking licensure.

Consult the MPJE Competency Statements for a description of possible examination question topics, and familiarize yourself with the specific federal and state pharmacy laws and regulations as they apply in the state conferring eligibility to take the examination. Additional information may also be obtained from the state board of pharmacy where you are seeking licensure.

**Please Note: NO DISTINCTION IS MADE IN THE EXAMINATION BETWEEN FEDERAL AND STATE JURISPRUDENCE QUESTIONS. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER EACH QUESTION IN TERMS OF THE PREVAILING LAWS OF THE STATE IN WHICH YOU ARE SEEKING LICENSURE.**

## MPJE Competency Statements

The MPJE Competency Statements serve as a blueprint of the topics covered on the examination. They offer important information about the knowledge, judgment, and skills you are expected to demonstrate while taking the MPJE. A strong understanding of the Competency Statements will aid you in your preparation to take the examination.

## **Area 1 Pharmacy Practice**

### **(Approximately 78% of Test)**

- 1.01 *Identify the legal responsibilities of the pharmacist and other pharmacy personnel.*
- 1.02 *Identify the requirements for the acquisition and distribution of pharmaceutical products.*
- 1.03 *Identify the legal requirements that must be observed in the issuance of a prescription/ drug order.*
- 1.04 *Identify the procedures necessary to properly dispense a pharmaceutical product, including controlled substances, pursuant to a prescription/drug order.*
- 1.05 *Identify the conditions for making an offer to counsel or appropriately counsel patients, including the requirements for documentation.*
- 1.06 *Identify the requirements for the distribution and/or dispensing of nonprescription pharmaceutical products, including controlled substances.*
- 1.07 *Identify the proper procedures for keeping records of information related to pharmaceutical products, including requirements for protecting patient confidentiality.*

## **Area 2 Licensure, Registration, Certification, and Operational Requirements**

### **(Approximately 17% of Test)**

- 2.01 *Identify the qualifications, application procedure, necessary examinations, and*

*internship requirements for licensure, registration, or certification of individuals engaged in the manufacture, storage, distribution, and/or dispensing of pharmaceutical products (prescription and nonprescription).*

- 2.02 *Identify the requirements and application procedure for the registration, licensure, certification, or permitting of a practice setting or business entity.*
- 2.03 *Identify the operational requirements for the registration, licensure, certification, or permitting of a practice setting (eg, space, equipment, advertising and signage, automated equipment, storage, and security).*

## **Area 3 Regulatory Structure and Terms**

### **(Approximately 5% of Test)**

- 3.01 *Identify the purpose of, and the terms and conditions found in, the laws and rules that regulate or affect the manufacture, storage, distribution, and dispensing of pharmaceutical products (prescription and nonprescription), including controlled substances.*
- 3.02 *Identify the authority, responsibilities, and operation of the agencies or entities that enforce the laws and rules that regulate or affect the manufacture, storage, distribution, and dispensing of pharmaceutical products (prescription and nonprescription), including controlled substances.*

# NAPLEX/MPJE

## Contacts

### Contacts for Your Questions

The following table provides you with contact information in the event you have questions about the programs or procedures.

Questions About:	Contact:
Eligibility to take the NAPLEX/MPJE Special testing accommodations Registration form to take the NAPLEX/MPJE Name and address changes Examination results	Contact the board of pharmacy in the state(s) in which you are seeking licensure.
Scheduling, rescheduling, or canceling your testing appointment, or test center directions	Contact Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679 or visit its Web site: <a href="http://www.pearsonvue.com">www.pearsonvue.com</a> .
Misplaced Authorization to Test (ATT) letter	Contact Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679 or visit its Web site: <a href="http://www.pearsonvue.com">www.pearsonvue.com</a> .
Questions about the content of the NAPLEX/MPJE General comments about the test center General NAPLEX/MPJE information Score transfer	Contact the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy 1600 Feehanville Dr Mount Prospect, IL 60056 Phone: 847/391-4406 Fax: 847/391-4502 Web site: <a href="http://www.nabp.net">www.nabp.net</a> E-mail: <a href="mailto:custserv@nabp.net">custserv@nabp.net</a>

### Candidate Comments

NABP constantly evaluates the examinations and, therefore, is open to and appreciative of your constructive comments. Immediately after your examination ends, any comment or complaint about any matter related to the examinations can be made in the comment section of the exit survey.

You may also send your comments about the test center or questions on your examination via mail to NABP at 1600 Feehanville Dr, Mount Prospect, IL 60056, or via e-mail at [custserv@nabp.net](mailto:custserv@nabp.net).

### Board of Pharmacy Contacts

The most current listing of Board of Pharmacy Contacts in [PDF format](#) is located on NABP's Web site at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net). An [HTML version](#) is also available.

# NAPLEX Score Transfer

## NAPLEX Score Transfer Program

NABP's NAPLEX Score Transfer Program allows you to transfer your NAPLEX score to additional jurisdictions in which you wish to obtain a license to practice pharmacy. If you participate in the Score Transfer Program and fulfill all other requirements for licensure in the jurisdiction to which you transfer your score, you will be awarded a license by examination.

**The Score Transfer Program differs significantly from NABP's Electronic Licensure Transfer Program® (ELTP®, reciprocity)**, which is a service NABP provides for licensed pharmacists. Unlike score transfer, licensure transfer does not permit you to attain a license by examination in another jurisdiction. Instead, your license in the jurisdiction is considered a license by licensure transfer.

**The distinction is important**, particularly if you ever again need to transfer your license to another jurisdiction, because the ELTP requires that you use a license by examination to transfer your license to another jurisdiction. **In other words, you cannot reciprocate your license using a license that has been obtained by licensure transfer.** For this reason, NABP strongly recommends you keep your license by examination valid and current.

Please note that the validity period of the score transferred varies from state to state. You are encouraged to contact the board where your score was transferred for additional information.

## Score Transfer Process

To be eligible for NAPLEX score transfer, candidates must complete the "NAPLEX Score Transfer Form," which appears on page 29 of this *Bulletin* or register using the NAPLEX/MPJE online application.

Score transfer candidates must complete all the examination requirements that are required by the primary jurisdiction for licensure, including any locally administered examinations. Primary jurisdictions can refuse to allow a candidate's score to be transferred if the candidate does not complete all of the jurisdiction's examination requirements.

Candidates may also be required to travel to the score transfer jurisdiction upon notice from the board to take any locally administered examination necessary

to complete the score transfer process for licensure. Candidates should contact the board of pharmacy from which they are seeking licensure by score transfer before applying in order to determine the jurisdiction's licensure requirements.

Score transfers will be processed whether you pass or fail the NAPLEX. If you wish to transfer your score, the Score Transfer Form and fee must be submitted **EVERY TIME** you register to take the NAPLEX. The NAPLEX Score Transfer Form may be used to transfer a NAPLEX score **ONLY**.

## NAPLEX Score Transfer Fee

**The NAPLEX score transfer fee charged by NABP is \$75 per jurisdiction. Payment and the completed NAPLEX Score Transfer Form MUST be received at least one day prior to any scheduled NAPLEX test date. Score transfer registrations submitted on or after your scheduled test date will not be accepted and scores will not be transferred.**

**The score transfer fee must be submitted in the form of a money order, bank draft, or certified check made payable to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy or NABP when mailing in the paper registration form or by credit card when registering online. Do NOT send a personal check, cash, or any form of fee payment other than those listed above.**

Score transfer fee refunds will **NOT** be provided to candidates. Refunds will not be issued to candidates who do not pass the examination or do not become licensed in the jurisdiction to which their NAPLEX score was transferred.

## Participating Score Transfer Jurisdictions

Following is a list of those jurisdictions that currently participate in the NAPLEX Score Transfer Program. Contact the score transfer jurisdiction directly for current fee and updated participation information. Some jurisdictions may require payment for examination materials in addition to the score transfer fees.

NABP will transfer the score of a candidate testing in a nonparticipating jurisdiction only if the recipient jurisdiction can legally accept transferred scores.

Alabama  
Alaska

Arizona  
Arkansas  
California<sup>2</sup>  
Colorado  
Connecticut  
Delaware  
District of Columbia  
Florida  
Georgia  
Guam  
Hawaii  
Idaho  
Illinois  
Indiana  
Iowa  
Kansas  
Kentucky  
Louisiana<sup>1</sup>  
Maine  
Maryland  
Massachusetts  
Michigan  
Minnesota  
Mississippi  
Missouri  
Montana

Nebraska  
Nevada  
New Hampshire  
New Jersey  
New Mexico  
New York  
North Carolina  
North Dakota  
Ohio  
Oklahoma  
Oregon  
Pennsylvania  
Puerto Rico  
Rhode Island  
South Carolina  
South Dakota  
Tennessee  
Texas  
Utah  
Vermont  
Virgin Islands  
Virginia  
Washington  
West Virginia  
Wisconsin  
Wyoming

<sup>1</sup> This jurisdiction is unable to accept scores transferred from Florida.

<sup>2</sup> California will accept scores transferred from any state.



**National Association of Boards of Pharmacy**  
1600 Feehanville Drive, Mount Prospect, IL 60056 ♦ 847/391-4406

# NAPLEX Score Transfer Form

## Information to the Candidate

The NAPLEX Score Transfer Program is made available to you by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®). Completion of this form allows you the opportunity to transfer the score from your North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination™ (NAPLEX®) to state(s) in which you wish to hold an additional license or licenses by examination. **We ask that you read the form carefully.**

Candidates in direct processing jurisdictions may choose to register to transfer their score via NABP's Internet-based Score Transfer Registration at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net). Internet-based registration allows candidates to pay fees via credit card; candidates must register for score transfer *prior to, or no later than*, the date on which they take the NAPLEX.

## Terms and Conditions

- ◆ **Application Deadline** – Candidates must submit this form with the proper NABP fee *at least one day prior to any NAPLEX test date.*

**NABP will NOT process score transfer forms submitted with a postmark later than one day prior to the NAPLEX test date for which the score transfer is requested.**

If there is a discrepancy between a metered postmark and an official United States Postal Service postmark, the US Postal Service postmark will be considered official. Submitted fees will be returned if the form is postmarked after the deadline.

- ◆ **Fees** – NABP's score transfer fee for the NAPLEX is \$75 per state. The fee must be submitted in the form of a money order, bank draft, or certified check payable to the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy or NABP.

**Do NOT send a personal check, cash, or any form of payment other than a money order, bank draft, or certified check to the NABP office.**

- ◆ To be eligible for score transfer, candidates must complete all examination requirements, including any locally administered examinations, as required by the state where they sit for the examination. Such states can refuse to allow a candidate's score to be transferred if these requirements are not met.
- ◆ Candidates should understand that they will be required to complete an application for examination, pay the examination fee for each state, and travel to the state on notice from the board to take any locally administered examinations necessary to complete this process.
- ◆ **NO REFUNDS** will be provided under any circumstances. Candidates should contact the state board of pharmacy to determine the requirements for licensure prior to completing this form.

NAPLEX Score  
Transfer Form

# NAPLEX Score Transfer Form

If you are a licensed pharmacist, do not submit this form. Please contact NABP's Customer Service Department for further information.

Please refer to pages 26 and 27 of this *Bulletin* for more information about the NAPLEX Score Transfer Program, including a list of participating states. The applicant is responsible for contacting each state to determine eligibility for licensure in that state. The filing and acceptance of this agreement does not ensure eligibility for licensure in any state to which the score is transferred. **Candidates must submit this form with the proper NABP fee at least one day prior to the date on which they take the NAPLEX. There are no exceptions to this policy.**

The applicant is to complete the following (Please PRINT):

**NAME:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth Social Security Number

**ADDRESS:** Please indicate if address supplied is Home or Business.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone Number Work Telephone Number

**NAPLEX STATE OF ELIGIBILITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Box 23 of computerized examination registration form.)

Indicate in the spaces below each state to which you wish your NAPLEX score to be transferred.

State: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

The NAPLEX scaled score is the score that is transferred.

Please check form of payment:  money order  bank draft  certified check

**DO NOT SEND PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH.**

Amount Enclosed: (Note: The NAPLEX score transfer fee for **each state** is \$75.) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

Mail this completed form and the appropriate fees to:

**National Association of Boards of Pharmacy  
1600 Feehanville Drive  
Mount Prospect, IL 60056**

# NAPLEX/MPJE Procedures Checklist

The following checklist has been provided to help ensure that you have met all the requirements for taking the NAPLEX and/or MPJE. Please follow the procedures carefully, refer to the appropriate section of this *Bulletin* to obtain more information about a specific procedure, and see the “NAPLEX/MPJE Contacts” section on page 25 of this *Bulletin* if you need to contact someone to answer your questions.

- Read the *Registration Bulletin* carefully.**
- Call the board of pharmacy from which you are seeking primary licensure for specific licensure requirements. If you require special testing accommodations, contact the board of pharmacy well in advance of your desired testing date for information about the necessary procedures.
- Candidates seeking licensure in direct processing jurisdictions may complete registration online at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net). Candidates seeking licensure in states that do not participate in direct processing may complete and submit a paper examination registration form for each examination. The board of pharmacy from which you are seeking licensure will instruct you on mailing procedures for your Registration Form and the appropriate fee.
- If you wish to participate in the NAPLEX Score Transfer Program, you must register for the NAPLEX examination and register for your score transfer requests online at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net) or submit a Score Transfer Form to NABP. The form must be postmarked at least one day prior to any scheduled NAPLEX test date and accompanied by the appropriate fee.
- After you receive your Authorization to Test (ATT), visit [www.pearsonvue.com/nabp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/nabp) or call Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679 to schedule an appointment. Remember to ask for directions to the test center, if needed. It is important to make your appointment as soon as possible in order to ensure seating for the examination.
- Arrive at the PPC at least 30 minutes prior to your testing appointment. Bring two forms of acceptable identification. Acceptable identification is defined on page 12 and 13 of this *Bulletin*.
- Your examination score will be provided to you by the board of pharmacy from which you are seeking licensure. Contact the board if you have questions about your examination score.