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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.

#### NABP Mission Statement

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) is the independent, international, and impartial Association that assists its member boards and jurisdictions in developing, implementing, and enforcing uniform standards for the purpose of protecting the public health.

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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.

### Online Examination Registration

Candidates may apply for the NAPLEX, MPJE, and NAPLEX Score Transfer on the NABP Web site at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net). Any paper applications postmarked after May 14, 2011, will not be accepted and will be returned to the candidate.

On March 28, 2011, NABP launched a new and improved application for online registration, which allows candidates to perform more registration tasks and view status information. As such, candidates who registered for the NAPLEX or MPJE before March 23, 2011, will need to create a user name and password through the new application. This will allow candidates to view historical data from their NAPLEX and MPJE registrations. After the candidate registers as a new user, the system will match the newly created profile with applications previously submitted or currently in progress so that all the information will be viewable by the candidate. If the system cannot match key identifying information between the candidate's new user registration and a previous registration, the candidate will be instructed to contact NABP Customer Service. Customer Service will provide further instruction on what is needed to complete the new user registration so that the candidate may view the status of his or her applications.

**Note:** If you do not have a Social Security number, which is required to register as a new user, contact NABP's Customer Service.

### NAPLEX and MPJE Fees

NAPLEX and MPJE fees are as follows.

- ◆ NAPLEX – \$485 per examination
- ◆ MPJE – \$200 per examination

Online registrations must be paid by Visa, MasterCard, or American Express. You must pay online at the time of registration. **Payments provided to NABP may NOT be submitted in the form of a personal check.**

### 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, \$360 will be refunded, and for candidates withdrawing from MPJE the partial refund will be \$125. 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 notification from the candidate prior to the testing appointment for a change in the state of eligibility or to withdraw from the NAPLEX/MPJE.** Notification can be submitted by logging into your application, if you applied online.

### Testing Accommodations Guidelines

All requests for testing accommodations for qualified individuals will be evaluated by the appropriate board of pharmacy. Requests will be forwarded to NABP for review. The board of pharmacy and candidate may be contacted if more information is required to support the testing accommodation request.

NABP and the boards of pharmacy may share information that a candidate provides including but not limited to the request, history, and nature of the accommodations. Testing accommodation requests for candidates with disabilities will be reviewed and subsequently determined and authorized by NABP. Upon approval, NABP will notify the candidate and board of pharmacy and will arrange the appropriate exam accommodation with the testing vendor.

Each time a candidate retakes an examination, a new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodation request must be submitted to the applicable board of pharmacy.

**A completed request for accommodations form should be submitted to the board of pharmacy including:**

- ◆ Part I – Applicant's Statement
- ◆ Part II – Practitioner's Statement
- ◆ Part III – Academic/College Statement (as applicable)

**Please attach the required detailed documentation as stated on page 2.**

#### 1. Applicant's Statement:

- a. A detailed report written by the applicant describing your disability and justification for the requested accommodations as noted in the Request of Accommodations form should be attached with

Part I of the completed Applicant's Statement form.

- b. Describe your treatment for the disability or condition (eg, any medication management regimen, including the effect the medication has on the condition. List any physical therapy, hearing aids, magnifying equipment, or psychotherapy regimens recommended by practitioners.

## 2. Practitioner's Statement:

Each provider is required to complete Part II of the ADA form Practitioner's Statement including the date of the initial diagnosis, date last evaluated, and the length of time as a patient.

- a. The health care evaluator should provide evidence that they are qualified to make the appropriate diagnosis, providing their licensing or certification specialization credentials.
- b. A statement of the specific diagnosis of the disability is required. A professionally recognized diagnosis for each category of disability is expected. The supporting written statement should explain the recommended accommodation and how the accommodation will be justified in the testing environment. The attached document should be typed on identifying letterhead and signed by the practitioner.
- c. A written explanation should be provided if no history of accommodations were required in similar or past testing environments. The explanation should account for any disability that is not permanent or long-lasting.
- d. Describe any treatment for the disability or condition prescribed (eg, any medication management regimens, the effect the medication has on the disability).

## 3. Diagnostic Tests to Support Request:

Current diagnostic tests, as applicable, and relevant medical history should be submitted. In most cases, an evaluation should have been conducted within the past three to five years. Specific tests should support the diagnosis and recommendation.

## 4. History of Accommodations:

- a. College Statement – Attestation from a credible source documenting accommodations afforded in a testing environment. For example, a letter from the candidate's college of pharmacy outlining the accommodations utilized in one's academic experience.
- b. Provide evidence that accommodations were afforded in other testing environments, eg, academic, standardized testing.

***Testing accommodation requests that are unreasonable or that would fundamentally alter the nature of the examination or the security of the examination, or that would impose an undue burden to NABP or to other candidates will be subject to denial.***

Please download the [accommodation request form](#) to submit your request.

## Completing the Online Exam Registration Form

When completing the online examination registration, follow all instructions carefully, provide all information requested, and pay the proper fee as instructed. Registration entry errors could delay your Authorization to Test (ATT). (See page 6 for more information.)

The following instructions will help you answer the questions on the Examination Registration.

### Log In or Register as a New User

Log in to the NAPLEX/MPJE application by entering your user name and password or selecting the New User Registration option. Your user name is the e-mail address you provided during registration. The password must be at least six characters long with at least one letter and one number. Once you register you will use this user name and password to log in to all NABP programs and services.

### Non-Disclosure Agreement

Read the terms and conditions of the NABP [Non-Disclosure Agreement](#) for NABP Examinations. If you agree, select the box to confirm that you agree to the Non-Disclosure Agreement and proceed to the application. You will not be able to proceed if you do not accept the terms of the Agreement.

### New User Registration

#### Personal Information

##### Name.

Enter your name exactly as it appears on the two forms of identification you will present at the test center by placing a minimum of one (1) character in each field. Provide your last (family) name, first name, middle name, or middle initial if you are using a middle name or middle initial on the identification you will present at the testing center.

Do not change the spelling and do not change the order of your name.

Always use the same form of your name on the application and when scheduling an appointment to test.

See the "Identification Requirements" section on page 8 for more information.

##### Date of Birth.

Enter the month, day, and year in which you were born using the MM/DD/YYYY format.

##### Social Security Number.

Enter your United States Social Security number in the designated fields. NABP uses your Social Security number for internal verification and administrative purposes only. For example, it may be provided to the board of pharmacy to link your examination results to your application for licensure. If you do not have a Social Security number, please contact NABP Customer

Service at 847/391-4406 prior to submitting your registration, for instructions on how to proceed.

**Maiden Name.**

Enter your maiden name in the field provided. “Maiden name” refers to the last (family) name you used before marriage.

**E-Mail Address.**

Enter your valid e-mail address. This e-mail address will become your user name and will not change even if you close the e-mail account. (Updates can be made to your contact e-mail in the Update My Profile tab once you log in.)

*Contact Information*

Please Note: Your mailing address **MUST** be within the United States, its territories, or Canada. You can make address changes through the online form. NABP advises that you notify the board of pharmacy if you have a change of address.

**Address Type.**

Select whether the address you are providing is for your home or business.

**Country.**

Indicate which country your mailing address is in.

**Address.**

Enter your permanent street address in the fields provided. All written correspondence will be forwarded to the address indicated. (See the State/Territory and Province Code List on page 30 for two-letter abbreviations.)

**City.**

Enter the name of your city in the field provided.

**State.**

Enter the two-letter abbreviation for the name of your state/territory or province. Refer to the listing on page 30 for the state/territory and province codes.

**Zip/Postal Code.**

Enter your zip or postal code in the field provided.

**Primary Phone Number.**

Enter your primary or home telephone number, including area code. This number will be used if it is necessary to contact you about your registration.

**Alternate Phone Number.**

Enter your alternate telephone number, including area code. This number will be used if it is necessary to contact you about your registration.

*Security Information*

**Security Questions.**

Provide answers to three security questions. All three will need to be answered whenever you log in.

**Password.**

Enter a password that is at least six characters long with at least one letter and one number.

**Apply for the NAPLEX, NAPLEX Score Transfer, or MPJE**

When you first register, the application opens on the Apply for Exam tab. From there you can add the NAPLEX or one or more NAPLEX Score Transfer requests. You may also select MPJE at the top left corner under the Apply for Exam tab, to add a state-specific MPJE to your cart if you wish to apply for that examination as well.

The Apply for Exam tab may also be used to re-register for the NAPLEX or MPJE after failing the exam or because you withdrew a previous registration. If you took the NAPLEX and did not pass, and/or if you are currently licensed and are seeking licensure in additional states, you must wait a minimum of 91 days between administrations. If you took the MPJE and did not pass, you must wait a minimum of 30 days to retake the examination for the same jurisdiction.

At Checkout your Contact Information will be automatically generated from the user registration information you provided the first time you logged in.

After you click on the Checkout button, you will be prompted to provide education information if this is your first time using the application. If you place additional orders at a later date, you will be able to update your education information if you wish.

**Education Information.**

From the drop down list, select Create Education Information.

**School Name.**

Select your school or college from the School Name drop down list. The schools are in alphabetical order, and are preceded by their numeric code. If your school is not on the list, you must select Other and provide the name of the school in the space indicated. The Other field is only required if you select 999-Other from the School Name drop down list. (See page 31 in the Appendix if you would like a full listing of school codes.)

**School Campus.**

In some instances, your school may offer various programs or confer a degree from more than one campus. In those cases, please select the appropriate answer in the School Campus drop down list.

**Pharmacy Degree.**

Indicate the degree in pharmacy you received or will receive upon graduation in the Pharmacy Degree drop down list.

**Date of Graduation.**

Enter the date on which you graduated, or will graduate, from the school you entered. Use the MM/DD/YYYY



format. “Date of Graduation” is defined as the date on which your degree is conferred.

#### **Billing Address.**

The address that you entered upon registering as a new user automatically populates in the Billing Address field. If your application will be billed to a different address, select Create New Address from the drop down list.

#### **Payment Information.**

Online registrations must be paid by Visa, MasterCard, or American Express. You must pay online at the time of registration. **Payments provided to NABP may NOT be submitted in the form of a personal check.**

#### **Billing and Payment Information**

Review the Billing and Payment Information for accuracy. In this section, if you are applying for the NAPLEX, you will need to indicate your state or jurisdiction of eligibility and if you require testing accommodations. If you are applying for the MPJE, you will need to indicate if you need testing accommodations and whether or not you are taking the MPJE for license transfer purposes.

#### **NAPLEX and MPJE ADA Testing Accommodations.**

Check the appropriate box if you will be contacting your board(s) of pharmacy to seek testing accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### **NAPLEX State or Jurisdiction of Eligibility.**

If applying for the NAPLEX, you will need to select the state or jurisdiction for which you are seeking eligibility to test. This state is considered your primary jurisdiction for licensure. 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. The primary jurisdiction will make the ultimate decision regarding your eligibility to take the examination. Questions regarding a state’s licensure requirements should be directed to the state board of pharmacy.

#### **MPJE For License Transfer Purposes.**

If applying for the MPJE, you will need to check the box to indicate if you are taking the MPJE in a specific state to fulfill a requirement for licensure transfer. By selecting the box you are indicating that you are taking the MPJE to transfer your license to another state or jurisdiction.

#### **Additional Actions in the NAPLEX/MPJE Online Application**

In addition to the Apply for Exam tab, there are six tabs where you can take other actions for the NAPLEX or MPJE.

##### *Withdraw Application*

If you decide that you need to cancel or withdraw either your NAPLEX or MPJE application, log in and select the

Withdraw Application tab. From there you may select the application(s) that you wish to cancel. For those candidates withdrawing from NAPLEX, \$360 will be refunded, and for candidates withdrawing from MPJE the partial refund will be \$125. No refunds will be issued if your request is received after your eligibility expires or if you miss your scheduled testing appointment.

##### *Change/Add Item*

To change your state or jurisdiction for the NAPLEX or MPJE, open the Change/Add Item tab and select the appropriate change of jurisdiction. There is a \$50 fee to change your state or jurisdictions. You may also register for a NAPLEX score transfer through this tab if you have not yet sat for the exam.

If you registered for the NAPLEX or MPJE before March 28, 2011, change of primary jurisdiction requests are not available through the online application. To change your primary jurisdiction, you must submit a written request with payment to NABP. To request a change of jurisdiction please submit the following.

- ◆ Full name (as submitted in your original application)
- ◆ NABP e-Profile ID (This is viewable by logging into the NAPLEX/MPJE registration site, clicking on Profile in the upper right corner, and then selecting Accounts from the left navigation bar.)
- ◆ Jurisdiction originally requested
- ◆ Jurisdiction requesting to change to
- ◆ \$50 change of jurisdiction fee payable by money order, bank draft, or certified check payable to NABP. Credit cards and personal checks will not be accepted.

Requests for change of state or jurisdiction must be made more than two business days before a scheduled examination. A change of state or jurisdiction made within two business days of a scheduled examination appointment will result in NABP denying the request and in the forfeiture of the \$50 fee.

##### *Re-Apply After No-Show*

Select the Re-Apply After No-Show tab if you need to re-apply for either examination because you have missed your scheduled appointment to test.

You may not use this tab if:

- ◆ your eligibility expires in 10 business days or less. NABP cannot guarantee that you will receive your ATT prior to your eligibility expiring.
- ◆ you missed an appointment, re-applied, and subsequently failed the examination.

In the two situations described above, use the Apply tab to submit new examination registrations.

##### *Score Transfer After Exam*

To submit a score transfer request after you have taken the NAPLEX, open the Score Transfer After Exam tab



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and select the jurisdiction(s) to which you would like your score transferred. You may submit score transfer requests up to 90 days after sitting for the NAPLEX.

If you can not access the Score Transfer After Exam tab, your scores have not yet been loaded into the system. You may either submit a score transfer request through the Change/Add Item tab or try again later. Once your scores are posted to the system, the Score Transfer After Exam tab will be enabled. It may take up to five business days for scores to be loaded in the system.

#### *Update My Profile*

Select the Update My Profile tab to update or maintain an accurate profile. There you can change your password, update your address, input professional information, add credit card information, and adjust your preferences. Some personal information, including your name, date of birth, and Social Security number can not be updated online. To make changes to that information, call NABP Customer Service at 847/391-4406. NABP advises that you also notify the board of pharmacy for any such changes.

#### *NAPLEX/MPJE Score Results*

For those states that participate in NABP's online score interface, NAPLEX and MPJE score results will be available, in general, seven business days after the test date. You will only have access to your NAPLEX score through the state that you selected as your primary jurisdiction, so if that state does not participate in the online score reporting service, your NAPLEX score will not be made available to you online, even if your additional score reporting states do allow such reporting.

For questions about NABP's online posting of scores, contact Customer Service at 847/391-4406. States participating in the NABP online score interface are listed in the [NAPLEX](#) and [MPJE](#) sections of the NABP Web site.

For states that do not participate in the online interface, please contact that state board if you have a question about how scores will be reported to you.

**Note:** Only the individual state boards of pharmacy have the authority to issue a license to practice pharmacy. The posting by NABP of a passing score on an examination does not constitute a license to practice pharmacy. Boards will **not** accept examination scores posted online by NABP for purposes of score transfer or obtaining licensure.

# 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 or MPJE.

## 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. **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 27.)

## Authorization to Test

Once the board of pharmacy determines you are eligible to take the examination and notifies NABP, an ATT letter will be issued to you via e-mail or US post by Pearson VUE. The ATT letter includes the dates during which you will be able to take the examination, instructions on how to schedule your testing appointment, and other important information.

You must have received your ATT letter before you schedule an appointment to take the examination. If you misplace your ATT letter, contact Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679. Be sure to check your spam or junk e-mail folder before you call.

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 letter, 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 letter

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 letter.** 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 letter.** 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. Candidates with approved ADA testing accommodations may schedule testing appointments through Pearson VUE's customer service number once they are contacted by NABP to do so. If you are a candidate who has been approved to test with ADA testing 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 last and first name as well as demographic information, 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 canceling your examination appointment.

### Scheduling for ADA Testing Accommodations

Candidates approved for ADA testing accommodations by their board of pharmacy may not schedule examinations directly with Pearson VUE until they are contacted by NABP to do so.

### Changing Your Examination Appointment

You may cancel or reschedule your examination appointment 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 ADA testing accommodations must work with NABP directly 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 Monday, you must call by 9 AM on the previous Thursday to cancel or reschedule. Your appointment is not canceled or rescheduled until you receive a confirmation from Pearson

VUE. **You will need to submit the appropriate fees to Pearson VUE, either online or via their customer service department, to reschedule your appointment. There are NO exceptions to this policy.**

**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 the appropriate resitting fees to NABP in order to receive a new ATT and schedule a new appointment.

The fees for rescheduling or missing an appointment are as follows:

- ◆ NAPLEX – \$50 per rescheduled appointment to Pearson VUE  
\$140 per missed appointment to NABP
- ◆ MPJE – \$50 per rescheduled appointment to Pearson VUE  
\$90 per missed appointment to NABP

Fees payable to NABP may be submitted online via credit card by logging in to the online application. Once your fee has been received, you will receive a new ATT.

### 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” on page 8.) 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. All candidates will be required to have a palm vein scan and digital photograph taken prior to being admitted to the testing room. Candidates will also be required to provide his or her digital signature. For palm vein scans, a device will be used to digitally record the pattern of the candidate’s palm veins. Candidate palm vein patterns are digitally encrypted and securely transmitted to Pearson VUE. If you do not provide the required identifying information, you will not be permitted to take the examination. In the event that you are unable to provide a digital signature or palm vein pattern, you must contact NABP at least 30 days prior to your examination date. For more information about examination administration, including the check-in process and palm vein scans, please contact Pearson VUE customer service at 1-888/709-2679.
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 room without

the test administrator’s permission 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 erasable note boards and a 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 calculator can be activated during the examination for your use.
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. Examination times are 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 palm vein pattern must be scanned to re-enter the testing room. Remember, the 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 letter.** It is acceptable for your ID to contain your full middle name as long as the middle initial on your ATT letter matches the first letter of your middle name and vice-versa. Candidates whose name has changed since they have registered to test will be required to submit legal name change documentation to the board of pharmacy and NABP at least five business days prior to the date of the scheduled examination (refer to Your Name/Name Change section of bulletin for additional information).

**All forms of identification must be issued by either the US or Canada.**

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

- ◆ US/Canadian passport
- ◆ US/Canadian driver's license
- ◆ US state/Canadian province ID
- ◆ US/Canadian military ID

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

- ◆ US/Canadian passport
- ◆ US/Canadian driver's license
- ◆ US state/Canadian province ID
- ◆ US/Canadian military ID
- ◆ US passport card
- ◆ Valid credit cards

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

- ◆ ID with no photo
- ◆ Foreign passports, driver's licenses, or ID cards
- ◆ Expired US/Canadian passport
- ◆ Expired US/Canadian driver's license
- ◆ Draft classification card
- ◆ Letter of identity from a notary
- ◆ Social Security card
- ◆ Employee ID
- ◆ Temporary forms of ID (**unless state approved and validated by NABP**)
- ◆ Green card

**NOTE:** Effective January 3, 2013 all candidates using forms of temporary identification (**state-issued driver's license or state-issued ID card**) are instructed to contact NABP at least five business days prior to their test administration to ensure this form of identification is validated by NABP. Additionally, candidates using any other forms of identification EXCEPT the ones listed above as unacceptable must contact NABP and present the identification for validation at least five business days prior to their test administration.

You will NOT be admitted to the examination without the proper ID, and you will NOT have an opportunity to reschedule your testing appointment at the test center.

**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 IDs, **you must contact your board of pharmacy and NABP** to make a legal name change **at least five business days prior** to your scheduled examination. **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.**

If the name with which you have registered is different from the name on your IDs, you will not be permitted to test. **Name changes cannot be completed at the test center and documentation brought to the test center confirming your name change will no longer be accepted.**

## 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, driver's 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. Prohibited items may not be accessed at any time during your testing appointment. 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 room without permission or the testing center 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, at all times, from disclosing, reproducing, transmitting, receiving or utilizing without authorization, or making available the NAPLEX or MPJE including, but not limited to, examination question format, questions, profiles, answers, 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 that a candidate, at any time, disclosed, reproduced, transmitted, received or utilized without authorization, or made available any portion of the NAPLEX or MPJE in any form to/from individuals, organizations, study groups, or the like, such candidate forfeits the right to have his or her examination scored, NABP has the right to invalidate such candidate's examination score, and NABP may initiate civil, criminal, and/or administrative proceedings against the candidate that may result in civil penalties, criminal punishments, and/or disciplinary action including licensure revocation by the candidate's board(s) 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.

## Misconduct

Individuals who engage in any of the following conduct during their examination appointment session, which is defined from the time the candidate is checked into the test center, including scheduled and non-scheduled breaks, and up to the point the candidate is dismissed from the center, may be subject to the suspension of the test administration, forfeit all testing fees, and not have their scores reported to the board(s) of pharmacy.

Examples of misconduct include but are not limited to:

- ◆ Attempt to take the examination for someone else
- ◆ Access a cellphone or any other electronic communications devices
- ◆ Use of notes, books, reference material, or other aids
- ◆ Attempt to aid an individual or receive aid to complete the examination
- ◆ Bring any materials, devices, or items to the testing appointment that may compromise the security or validity of the administration
- ◆ Fail to follow an administrator's instructions or create a disturbance of any kind
- ◆ Remove or attempt to remove scratch paper, note boards, writing materials, or copy examination questions, answers, or any other content from the test center
- ◆ Tamper with the operation of the computer or attempts to use it for any function other than taking the examination
- ◆ Leave the testing room without permission or leave the testing center for any reason.

## 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.

## Notification to Authorities

NABP reserves right to share with pharmacy regulatory or law enforcement authorities information concerning the cancellation or invalidation of a candidate's NAPLEX and/or MPJE score.

## 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**

Effective March 1, 2013, candidates will be limited to five attempts to pass the NAPLEX and MPJE. Candidates who have attempted to pass the exams five or more times by March 1, 2013, will be permitted one more opportunity to pass the examinations upon approval from a board of pharmacy. Candidates who have attempted to pass the exams fewer than five times by March 1, 2013, will be subject to the new five-attempt limit. Failure to finish an exam is counted as an attempt.

MPJE candidates will have five chances to pass the exam per jurisdiction or state. For example, a candidate may attempt to pass the MPJE in State A five times and will also have five attempts for State B.

Some exceptions may apply, as NABP member boards retain the authority to determine the number of attempts per candidate in their jurisdiction. Contact your state board of pharmacy for testing requirements specific to the board.

The waiting period between attempts remains the same. Candidates who fail or do not complete the NAPLEX must wait 91 days before trying again. For the MPJE the waiting period is 30 days. Waiting periods also apply for both examinations after failed attempts or a missed appointment.

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

# NAPLEX/MPJE

## Score Results

### Your NAPLEX Score Results

The NAPLEX is the means by which boards of pharmacy assess the 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, as well as to any state that you have requested receive your score by score transfer. For those states that participate in NABP's online score interface, score results will be available on the NABP Web site, in general, seven business days after the test date, and you may access your score by logging in to the NAPLEX/MPJE application. You will only have access to your NAPLEX score through the state that you selected as your primary jurisdiction, so if that state does not participate in the online score reporting service, your scores will not be made available to you online, even if your additional score reporting states do allow such reporting.**

For questions about NABP's online posting of scores, contact Customer Service at 847/391-4406. States participating in the NABP online score interface are listed in the [NAPLEX](#) section of the NABP Web site.

For states that do not participate in the online interface, please contact that state board if you have a question about how scores will be reported to you.

**Note:** Only the individual state boards of pharmacy have the authority to issue a license to practice pharmacy. The posting by NABP of a passing score on an examination does not constitute a license to practice pharmacy. Boards will **not** accept examination scores posted online by NABP for purposes of score transfer or obtaining licensure.

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.

Official 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 questions is allowed.** Scores are submitted to the boards of pharmacy on a daily basis. Candidates will receive official score reports 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. For those states that participate in NABP's online score interface, score results will be available on the NABP Web site, in general, seven business days after the test date, and you may access your score by logging in to the NAPLEX/MPJE application.**

For questions about NABP's online posting of scores, contact Customer Service at 847/391-4406. States participating in the NABP online score interface are listed in the [MPJE](#) section of the NABP Web site.

For states that do not participate in the online interface, please contact that state board if you have a question about how scores will be reported to you.

**Note:** Only the individual state boards of pharmacy have the authority to issue a license to practice pharmacy. The posting by NABP of a passing score on an examination does not constitute a license to practice pharmacy. Boards will not accept examination scores posted online by NABP for purposes of score transfer or obtaining licensure.

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 80 questions on the examination. Candidates completing fewer than 80 questions will **NOT** have their scores reported. Candidates who complete at least 80 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.

Candidates will receive official score reports for the MPJE directly from their boards of pharmacy. 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.

### NAPLEX and MPJE Score Cancellation

NABP reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion and at any time, whether to cancel one or more examination scores. NABP may cancel an examination score regardless of whether there is evidence of a candidate's personal involvement in irregular activities.

The bases for canceling individual or group examination scores may occur prior to, during, or after examination administration and include, but are not limited to, the following: examination administration errors, equipment malfunction, candidate misconduct, noncompliance with policies, observed irregular behavior, discrepancy/falsification of an examinee's identification, impersonating an examinee or allowing an unauthorized person to take the exam, unusual answer patterns, unusual or large score variances among a candidate's examinations, leaving a testing center facility, accessing exam materials prior to taking the exam, stealing exam materials, communicating with other test-takers during an examination administration, disclosing, publishing, reproducing, or transmitting an exam, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means, verbal or written, electronic or mechanical, for any purpose. NABP's right to determine whether to cancel an examination score is not in any way waived or modified because NABP processed an examination registration form, authorized a candidate to sit for an examination, scored an examination, or reported an examination result.

# NAPLEX

## What is the NAPLEX?

The NAPLEX is a 185-item computer-based examination that uses adaptive test technology to deliver a mixture of selected-response and constructed-response test questions. Of the 185 delivered questions, 150 are operational and will be used to calculate your test score. The remaining 35 questions are pretest items and will not count toward your NAPLEX score. Pretest questions are included on all NAPLEX examinations and are administered to evaluate their appropriateness for possible inclusion in future examinations. The pretest questions are dispersed throughout the examination and cannot be identified by the candidate.

The 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 NAPLEX Test Design

The goal of the NAPLEX test design is to measure a candidate’s knowledge and ability as accurately and efficiently as possible. The examination is assembled as you answer questions, using information gained during the examination to influence the composition of the remainder of the examination.

When you respond to computer-selected NAPLEX questions, the adaptive technology will assess your answers and use that information to select your next test question. The computer will then select an item suited to your estimated ability level from the test’s item pool. Your ability level will be estimated from a combination of your responses (right and wrong answers) and the attributes of the questions that you were assigned. Ability estimates are used to produce scaled scores, which are subsequently reported to your intended board(s) of pharmacy. The passing scaled score for NAPLEX is 75. The minimum scaled score you can earn is zero and the maximum is 150.

**Note: 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.

## 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 Assess Pharmacotherapy to Assure Safe and Effective Therapeutic Outcomes (Approximately 56% of Test)

- 1.1.0 *Identify, 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 patient specific assessment and diagnostic methods, instruments, and techniques and interpret their results.
  - 1.1.3 Identify and define the etiology, terminology, signs, and symptoms associated with diseases and medical conditions and their causes and determine if medical referral is necessary.
  - 1.1.4 Identify and evaluate patient genetic, and biosocial factors, and concurrent drug therapy, relevant to the maintenance of wellness and the prevention or treatment of a disease or medical condition.
- 1.2.0 *Evaluate information about pharmacoeconomic factors, dosing regimen, dosage forms, delivery systems and routes of administration to identify and select optimal pharmacotherapeutic agents, for patients*
  - 1.2.1 Identify specific uses and indications for drug products and recommend drugs of choice for specific diseases or medical conditions.
  - 1.2.2 Identify the chemical/pharmacologic classes of therapeutic agents and describe their known or postulated sites and mechanisms of action.

- 1.2.3 Evaluate drug therapy for the presence of pharmacotherapeutic duplications and interactions with other drugs, food, and diagnostic tests.
  - 1.2.4 Identify and evaluate potential contraindications and provide information about 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 Evaluate and interpret pharmacodynamic and pharmacokinetic principles to calculate and determine appropriate drug dosing regimens.
  - 1.2.7 Identify appropriate routes of administration, dosage forms, and pharmaceutical characteristics of drug dosage forms and delivery systems, to assure bioavailability and enhance therapeutic efficacy.
  - 1.3.0 *Evaluate and manage drug regimens by monitoring and assessing the patient and/or patient information, collaborating with other health care professionals, and providing patient education to enhance safe, effective, and economic patient outcomes.*
    - 1.3.1 Identify pharmacotherapeutic outcomes and endpoints.
    - 1.3.2 Evaluate patient signs and symptoms, and the findings of monitoring tests and procedures to determine the safety and effectiveness of pharmacotherapy. Recommend needed followup evaluations or tests when appropriate.
    - 1.3.3 Identify, describe, and provide information regarding the mechanism of adverse reactions, allergies, side effects, iatrogenic, and drug-induced illness, including their management and prevention.
    - 1.3.4 Identify, prevent, and address methods to remedy medication non-adherence, misuse, or abuse.
    - 1.3.5 Evaluate current drug regimens and recommend pharmacotherapeutic alternatives or modifications.
- Area 2 Assess Safe and Accurate Preparation and Dispensing of Medications (Approximately 33% of Test)**
- 2.1.0 *Demonstrate the ability to 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 or 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 *Demonstrate the ability to 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 Identify 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 Assess 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 provide information regarding appropriate packaging, storage, handling, administration, and disposal of medications.
    - 2.2.6 Identify and provide information regarding the appropriate use of equipment and apparatus required to administer medications.
  - 2.3.0 *Demonstrate the knowledge to prepare and compound extemporaneous preparations and sterile products.*
    - 2.3.1 Identify techniques, procedures, and equipment related to drug preparation, compounding, and quality assurance.
    - 2.3.2 Identify the important physicochemical properties of a preparation's active and inactive ingredients.
    - 2.3.3 Identify the mechanism of and evidence for the incompatibility or degradation of a product or preparation and methods for achieving its stability.
- Area 3 Assess, Recommend, and Provide Health Care Information that Promotes Public Health (Approximately 11% of Test)**
- 3.1.0 *Identify, evaluate, and apply information to promote optimal health care.*

- 3.1.1 Identify the typical content of specific sources of drug and health information for both health care providers and consumers, and recommend appropriate resources to address questions or needs.
- 3.1.2 Evaluate the suitability, accuracy, and reliability of clinical and pharmacoeconomic data by analyzing experimental design, statistical tests, interpreting results, and formulating conclusions.
- 3.2.0 *Recommend and provide information to educate the public and healthcare professionals regarding medical conditions, wellness, dietary supplements, and medical devices.*
  - 3.2.1 Recommend and provide health care information regarding the prevention and treatment of diseases and medical conditions, including emergency patient care and vaccinations.
  - 3.2.2 Recommend and provide health care information regarding nutrition, lifestyle, and other non-drug measures that promote health or prevent the progression of a disease or medical condition.
  - 3.2.3 Recommend and provide information regarding the documented uses, adverse effects, and toxicities of dietary supplements.
  - 3.2.4 Recommend and 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.



## NAPLEX Sample Items

The following are examples of item types that examinees may encounter when taking the NAPLEX. These items are presented as examples to familiarize examinees with their formats and are not intended to represent content areas on the NAPLEX. Every examinee is presented with the opportunity to take a tutorial at the testing center, prior to initiating the NAPLEX. The tutorial instructs examinees on how to respond to all of the types of items that could be presented on the examination. NABP strongly encourages each examinee to take the tutorial in order to become familiar with how to submit responses in the computer-based examination.

### Multiple-choice Item Format

Which of the following vaccines is contraindicated in immunocompromised patients?

- ☐ A. Pneumococcal polysaccharide
- ☐ B. Varicella
- ☐ C. Meningococcal conjugate
- ☐ D. Subcutaneous influenza

### Multiple-response Item Format

What counseling information should a pharmacist provide to a patient taking oral tacrolimus?

(Select **ALL** that apply.)

- ☐ A. Avoid live virus vaccinations
- ☐ B. Avoid grapefruit and grapefruit juice
- ☐ C. If a dose is missed, double up on the next dose
- ☐ D. Do not drink alcohol while taking this medication
- ☐ E. Medication levels need to be monitored

### Constructed-response Item Format

Griseofulvin oral suspension contains 125 mg/5 mL. A physician prescribed 250 mg bid for 2 weeks for a patient. How many milliliters of griseofulvin should be dispensed in order to fill this prescription?

(Answer must be numeric; Round the final answer to the nearest **WHOLE** number.)

### Ordered-response Item Format

Rank the following topical corticosteroids from highest to lowest potency.

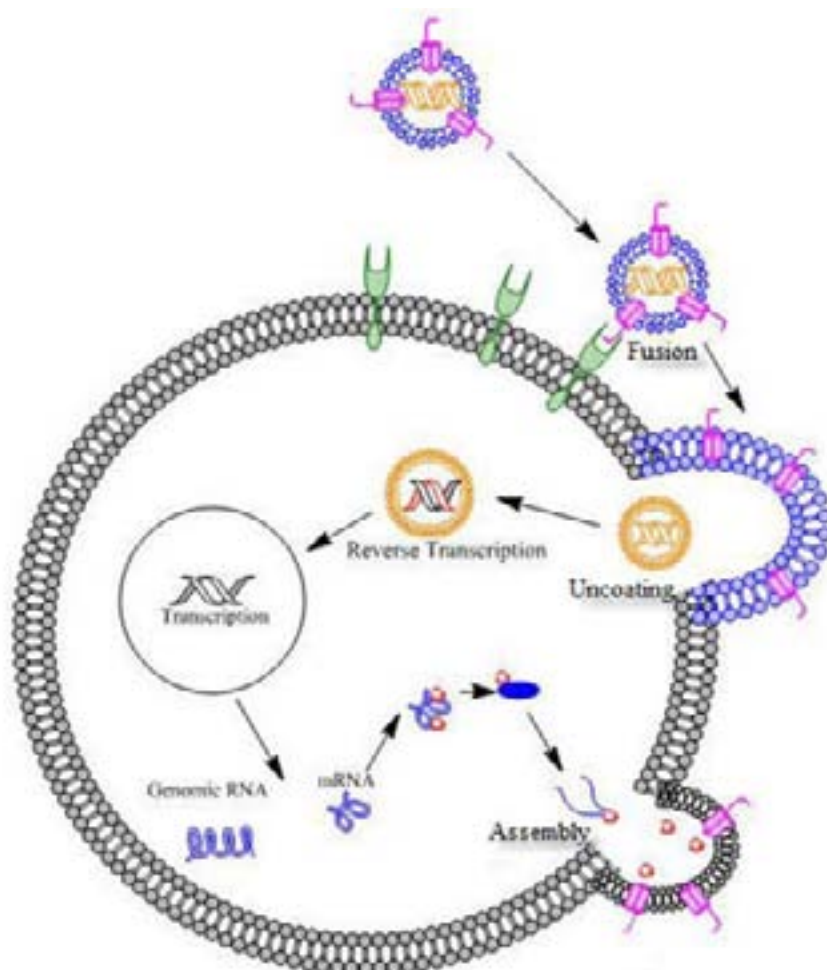
(**ALL** options must be used.)

Left-click the mouse to highlight, drag, and order the answer options.

Unordered Options	Ordered Response
Fluocinonide 0.05%	
Hydrocortisone acetate 1%	
Halobetasol propionate 0.05%	
Mometasone furoate 0.1%	

**Hot Spot Item Format**

Using the diagram below, identify where in the HIV life-cycle, maraviroc exerts its mechanism of action.  
(Select the **TEXT** response, and left-click the mouse. To change your answer, move the cursor, select alternate **TEXT** response and click.)



# 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. Students can sit for the Pre-NAPLEX at any time on any day. The cost for each Pre-NAPLEX attempt is \$50. There are no refunds once the practice examination has been purchased.

## Pre-NAPLEX Frequently Asked Questions

### 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. Students can sit for the Pre-NAPLEX at any time on any day; however, once the practice test has been started it must be completed in its entirety. Once a candidate registers and pays for the Pre-NAPLEX, they will have seven days to launch the examination. After the seventh day a new test must be purchased. The cost for each Pre-NAPLEX attempt is \$50. There are no refunds once the practice examination has been purchased.

### 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.

The contents of the Pre-NAPLEX are confidential and protected under applicable intellectual property rights, including copyright laws. All documents, examination questions, answers, and confidential information received from this exam shall remain the exclusive property of NABP. The disclosing, publishing, reproducing, transmitting, receiving without authorization, or making available the Pre-NAPLEX 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 is prohibited at all times.

If NABP obtains information indicating an examination candidate disclosed, published, reproduced, transmitted, received without authorization, or made available any portion of the Pre-NAPLEX, as described above, in any form to or from individuals, organizations, study groups, or the like, NABP may take actions against the candidate resulting in but not limited to disqualification from the NAPLEX program, civil penalties and/or criminal proceedings.

### 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 page 14 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?

The Pre-NAPLEX score is intended to provide you with information on your performance in answering a subset of test questions similar to those you will encounter on the NAPLEX under pre-testing conditions. NABP does not claim that a strong performance on the Pre-NAPLEX predicts passing the NAPLEX.

### Do candidates get to review the questions?

No. Since the Pre-NAPLEX is designed to perform 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 go to [www.nabp.net/programs](http://www.nabp.net/programs) and select Pre-NAPLEX.

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

Each attempt at the Pre-NAPLEX is \$50. Candidates register online, and may use any major credit card. There are no refunds once the practice examination has been purchased.

### 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 a second time, a different form will be administered.

### 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 7.0, 8.0, and 9.0, with text size set to medium or smaller
- ◆ Mozilla Firefox 3.0 and higher
- ◆ Apple Safari, latest version
- ◆ Google Chrome, latest version
- ◆ Reliable Internet access (high-speed connection preferred for optimal performance)
- ◆ Access to a printer for score reports

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

Please contact NABP Customer Service at 847/391-4406 should you experience any computer problems while registering for or taking the Pre-NAPLEX. Customer Service is available Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM Central time. Candidate have seven days to take the Pre-NAPLEX after registering and paying for the examination.

### 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 to 20 minutes to complete the registration process and the exit survey. Once a candidate registers and pays for the Pre-NAPLEX, they will have seven days to take the examination.

# Computer-Adaptive MPJE

## What is the MPJE?

The MPJE is a two-hour, 90-item computer-based examination that uses adaptive technology to deliver selected-response test questions. Of the 90 delivered questions, 75 are operational and will be used to calculate your score. The remaining 15 questions are pretest items and will not count toward your MPJE score. Pretest questions are included on all MPJE examinations and are administered to evaluate their appropriateness for possible inclusion in future examinations. The pretest questions are dispersed throughout the examination and cannot be identified by the candidate.

In cooperation with participating state boards of pharmacy, the MPJE is uniformly developed, administered, and scored under policies and procedures developed by NABP. 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. 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 Test Design

The goal of the MPJE test design is to measure a candidate's knowledge and ability as accurately and efficiently as possible. The examination is assembled as you answer questions, using information gained during the examination to influence the composition of the remainder of the examination.

When you respond to computer-selected MPJE questions, the adaptive technology will assess your answers and use that information to select your next test question. The computer will then select an item suited to your estimated ability level from the test's item pool. Your ability level will be estimated from a combination of your responses (right and wrong answers) and the attributes of the questions that you were assigned. Ability estimates are used to produce scaled scores, which are subsequently reported to your intended boards of pharmacy. The passing scaled score for MPJE is 75. The minimum scaled score you can earn is zero and the maximum is 100.

**Please Note: You can not 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.

## 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.

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. Additional information may also be obtained from the state board of pharmacy where you are seeking licensure.

**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.**

### Area 1 Pharmacy Practice (Approximately 84% of Test)

- 1.01.00 *Identify the legal responsibilities of the pharmacist and other pharmacy personnel.*
  - 1.01.01 Identify the unique legal responsibilities of the pharmacist-in-charge (or equivalent), pharmacists, interns, and the owner of a pharmacy such as, the theft and/or loss of prescription drugs; the destruction/disposal of prescription drugs; and the precedence of state, federal, or local requirements.
  - 1.01.02 Identify the qualifications, scope of duties, and conditions for practice of pharmacy technicians and all other non-pharmacist personnel, including such topics as personnel ratios and duties.
- 1.02.00 *Identify the requirements for the acquisition and distribution of pharmaceutical products, including samples.*



- 1.02.01 Identify the requirements for ordering or obtaining pharmaceuticals, including controlled substances, from a supplier of pharmaceuticals or other sources, including the content and maintenance of records of acquisition in pedigrees.
- 1.02.02 Identify the requirements for distributing a pharmaceutical product, including the content and maintenance of records of distribution. This addresses who may legally possess pharmaceutical products, (including drug samples), product labeling, packaging, repackaging, compounding, and sales to practitioners.
- 1.03.00 *Identify the legal requirements that must be observed in the issuance of a prescription/drug order.*
  - 1.03.01 Identify those pharmaceutical products for which a prescription/drug order is required and the limitations on their respective therapeutic uses.
  - 1.03.02 Identify the scope of authority, scope of practice, and valid registration of all practitioners who are authorized under law to prescribe, dispense, or administer pharmaceutical products, including controlled substances. This addresses, but is not limited to federal and state registrations; methadone programs; office-based opioid treatment programs; regulations related to retired or deceased prescribers; Internet prescribing; limits on jurisdictional prescribing; and prescriber/patient relationships.
  - 1.03.03 Identify the conditions under which the pharmacist participates in the administration of pharmaceutical products, or in the management of patients' drug therapy, which may include prescriptive authority, collaborative practice, consulting, counseling, and vaccine administration.
  - 1.03.04 Identify the requirements for issuing a prescription/drug order, including content and format for written; telephonic voice transmission; electronic facsimile; computer and Internet; during emergency conditions and via tamper-resistant prescription forms.
- 1.03.05 Identify special requirements for the issuance of controlled substance prescriptions/drug orders, including content and format for written; telephonic voice transmission; electronic facsimile; computerized and Internet; during emergency conditions; conditions for changing a prescription; time limits for dispensing initial prescriptions/drug orders; and requirements for multiple Schedule II prescription orders.
- 1.03.06 Identify the limits of a practitioner's authority to authorize refills of a pharmaceutical product, including controlled substances.
- 1.04.00 *Identify the procedures necessary to properly dispense a pharmaceutical product, including controlled substances, pursuant to a prescription/drug order.*
  - 1.04.01 Identify responsibilities for determining whether prescriptions/drug orders were issued for a legitimate medical purpose and within all applicable legal restrictions, addressing such issues as corresponding responsibility; maximum quantities; and restricted distribution systems.
  - 1.04.02 Identify the requirements for the transfer of existing prescription/drug order information from one pharmacist to another.
  - 1.04.03 Identify the conditions under which a prescription/drug order may be filled or refilled. This includes but is not limited to emergency fills or refills; partial dispensing of controlled substances; declarations of disaster or emergency; patient identification; requirements for death with dignity; medical marijuana; and conscience/moral circumstances.
  - 1.04.04 Identify the conditions under which prospective drug use review is conducted prior to dispensing a prescribed pharmaceutical product for appropriate patients. This includes the requirements for documentation, such as those for patient profiles.
  - 1.04.05 Identify the conditions under which drug product selection is permitted or mandated; addressing consent of the



- patient and/or prescriber; passing on of cost savings; and documentation of the product dispensed.
- 1.04.06 Identify the requirements for the labeling of pharmaceutical products dispensed pursuant to a prescription/drug order, including such things as generic and therapeutic equivalency; formulary use; auxiliary labels; patient package inserts; Food and Drug Administration medication guides; and written drug information.
- 1.04.07 Identify the requirements for the appropriate packaging of pharmaceutical products dispensed pursuant to a prescription/drug order, including such things as child-resistant and customized patient medication packaging.
- 1.04.08 Identify the conditions under which a pharmaceutical product could not be dispensed, including conditions as in adulteration; misbranding; and dating.
- 1.04.09 Identify the requirements for compounding pharmaceutical products.
- 1.04.10 Identify the requirements for emergency kits, including such things as supplying; maintenance; access; security; and inventory.
- 1.04.11 Identify the regulations regarding the return and/or reuse of pharmaceutical products, addressing such issues as charitable programs; cancer or other repository programs; previously dispensed; and from “will call” areas of pharmacies.
- 1.04.12 Identify procedures and requirements for systems or processes whereby a non-pharmacist may obtain pharmaceutical products, addressing such issues as Pyxis (vending); after hour’s access; telepharmacies; and secure automated patient drug retrieval centers.
- 1.04.13 Identify procedures and requirements for establishing and operating central processing and central fill pharmacies, addressing, among other things, remote order verification.
- 1.05.00 *Identify the conditions for making an offer to counsel or counseling appropriate patients, including the requirements for documentation.*
- 1.05.01 Identify the requirements to counsel or make an offer to counsel.
- 1.05.02 Identify the requirements to maintain documentation of counseling.
- 1.06.00 *Identify the requirements for the distribution and/or dispensing of nonprescription pharmaceutical products, including controlled substances.*
- 1.06.01 Identify the requirements for the labeling of nonprescription pharmaceutical products.
- 1.06.02 Identify the requirements for the packaging and repackaging of nonprescription pharmaceutical products.
- 1.06.03 Identify the requirements for the distribution and/or dispensing of poisons, restricted, nonprescription pharmaceutical products, and other restricted materials or devices including but not limited to pseudoephedrine, dextromethorphan, emergency contraception, and behind the counter products as appropriate.
- 1.07.00 *Identify the proper procedures for keeping records of information related to pharmacy practice, pharmaceutical products and patients, including requirements for protecting patient confidentiality.*
- 1.07.01 Identify the requirements pertaining to controlled substance inventories.
- 1.07.02 Identify the content, maintenance, storage, and reporting requirements for records required in the operation of a pharmacy, including, but not limited to, prescription filing systems; computer systems and backups; and prescription monitoring programs.
- 1.07.03 Identify requirements for protecting patient confidentiality, including Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act requirements.
- Area 2 Licensure, Registration, Certification, and Operational Requirements (Approximately 13% of Test)**
- 2.01.00 *Identify the qualifications, application procedure, necessary examinations, and internship requirements for licensure, registration, or certification of individuals engaged in the storage, distribution, and/or dispensing of pharmaceutical products (prescription and nonprescription).*
- 2.01.01 Identify the requirements for special or restricted licenses, registrations, authorizations, or certificates for pharmacists, pharmacist preceptors,

- pharmacy interns, pharmacy technicians, controlled substance registrants, and under specialty pharmacist licenses (nuclear, consultant, etc).
- 2.01.02 Identify the standards of practice for the practice of pharmacy, including, but not limited to quality assurance programs, including peer review; changing dosage forms; therapeutic substitution; error reporting; public health reporting requirements, such as notification of potential terrorist event, physical abuse, and treatment for tuberculosis; and issues of conscience and maintaining competency.
- 2.01.03 Identify notification requirements pertaining to their license to practice pharmacy.
- 2.01.04 Identify the requirements for the renewal or reinstatement of an individual's licensure, registration, or certification.
- 2.01.05 Identify the reasons for classifications and processes of disciplinary actions that may be taken against a registered, licensed, certified, or permitted individual.
- 2.01.06 Identify the requirements for reporting to, and participating in, programs addressing the inability of an individual licensed, registered, or certified by the board to engage in the practice of pharmacy with reasonable skill and safety, by reason of impairment caused by the use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or other materials or mental, physical, or psychological conditions.
- 2.02.00 *Identify the requirements and application procedure for the registration, licensure, certification, or permitting of a practice setting or business entity.*
- 2.02.01 Identify the requirements for registration, license, certification, or permitting of a practice setting, including but not limited to, in-state pharmacies; out-of-state pharmacies; specialty pharmacies; controlled substance registrants; wholesalers; distributors; manufacturers/ repackagers; computer services providers; and Internet pharmacies.
- 2.02.02 Identify the operational and notification requirements for changes to the facility or changes in the application for licensure, registration, certification, or permit of a practice setting such as in remodeling; renaming; change of ownership; moving; and closing.
- 2.02.03 Identify the requirements for an inspection of a licensed, registered, certified, or permitted practice setting.
- 2.02.04 Identify the requirements for the renewal or reinstatement of a license, registration, certificate, or permit of a practice setting.
- 2.02.05 Identify the reasons for classifications and processes of disciplinary actions that may be taken against a registered, licensed, certified, or permitted practice setting.
- 2.03.00 *Identify the operational requirements for a registered, licensed, certified, or permitted practice setting.*
- 2.03.01 Identify the requirements for the operation of a pharmacy or practice setting that are not directly related to the dispensing of pharmaceutical products. This includes, but is not limited to, issues related to space; equipment; advertising and signage; security, including temporary absences of the pharmacist; policies and procedures; libraries; and the display of licenses.
- 2.03.02 Identify the requirements for the possession, storage, and handling of pharmaceutical products, including controlled substances. This includes, but is not limited to, investigational new drugs; repackaged or resold drugs; sample pharmaceuticals; recalls; and outdated pharmaceutical products.
- 2.03.03 Identify the requirements for delivery of pharmaceutical products, including controlled substances. This includes, but is not limited to, issues related to identification of the person accepting delivery of a drug; use of the mail; contract delivery; use of couriers; use of pharmacy employees; use of kiosks, secure mail boxes, and script centers; use of vacuum tubes; and use of drive-up windows.

**Area 3 Regulatory Structure and Terms  
(Approximately 3% of Test)**

*3.01.00 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.*

This includes such things as the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act(s) and Regulations; the Controlled Substances Act(s) and Regulations; OBRA 90's Title IV Requirements; Practice Acts and Rules; other statutes and regulations, including but

not limited to, dispensing of methadone, child-resistant packaging, tamper-resistant packaging, drug paraphernalia, drug samples, pharmacist responsibilities in Medicare-certified skilled-nursing facilities; National Drug Code numbers; and schedules of controlled substances.

*3.02.00 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.*

## MPJE Sample Items

The following are examples of item types that examinees may encounter when taking the MPJE. These items are presented as examples to familiarize examinees with their formats and are not intended to represent content areas on the MPJE. Every examinee is presented with the opportunity to take a tutorial at the testing center, prior to initiating the MPJE. The tutorial instructs examinees on how to respond to all of the types of items that could be presented on the examination. NABP strongly encourages each examinee to take the tutorial in order to become familiar with how to submit responses in the computer-based examination.

### Multiple-choice Item Format

How many total CPE hours are required to be completed upon the second renewal of a pharmacist's license in this jurisdiction?

- ☐ A. 15
- ☐ B. 20
- ☐ C. 25
- ☐ D. 30
- ☐ E. 40

### Multiple-response Item Format

Which of the following medications are classified as Schedule II controlled substances in this jurisdiction?  
(Select **ALL** that apply.)

- ☐ A. Strattera
- ☐ B. Lisdexamfetamine
- ☐ C. Meprobamate
- ☐ D. Pemoline
- ☐ E. Dexmethylphenidate

### Ordered-response Item Format

Place the following in the order in which they would expire according to federal regulations, starting with the earliest.  
(**ALL** options must be used.)

Left-click the mouse to highlight, drag, and order the answer options.

Unordered Options	Ordered Response
A partially filled methylphenidate prescription for a patient not in an LTCF	
A phoned-in, emergency oxycodone prescription	
A written bupropion prescription	
An electronic pemoline prescription	
A partially filled morphine prescription for a patient in an LTCF	

# 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 ADA accommodations 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>
Name and Address Change	Contact NABP and the board of pharmacy in the state(s) in which you are seeking licensure

### 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 is on NABP's Web site at [www.nabp.net/boards-of-pharmacy](http://www.nabp.net/boards-of-pharmacy).

### Report Exam Irregularity

NABP examinations are administered under strict security measures, and information on suspected examination irregularities, acts of unethical behavior, and breaches of security can be reported to NABP through the Web site or by contacting Customer Service at 847/391-4406.

Incidents that compromise the content of any NABP examinations can be submitted anonymously; or, to further discuss the incident with NABP staff, include personal contact information when submitting the report. Reports of suspected irregularities are treated confidentially and are investigated fully in support of NABP's commitment to ensuring the integrity and reliability of its examinations.

# 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.

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 register using the NAPLEX/MPJE online application. Candidates may submit a score transfer request up to 90 days after sitting for the NAPLEX. This provides candidates with three opportunities for submitting a score transfer request: (1) apply during the initial registration process, (2) log in to the online registration anytime before they sit for the exam to request score transfer through the Change/Add Item tab, or (3) submit a score transfer request up to 90 days after taking the examination by logging in to the online registration and clicking on the Transfer Score After Exam tab\*.

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, an online score transfer registration and fee must be submitted **EVERY TIME** you register to take the NAPLEX. Score transfers pertain to NAPLEX scores **ONLY**.

## NAPLEX Score Transfer Fee

**The NAPLEX score transfer fee charged by NABP is \$75 per jurisdiction. Payment and the completed online score transfer registration may be submitted up to 90 days after taking the examination.**

**When registering for a score transfer online, fees must be paid with Visa, MasterCard, or American Express.**

Score transfer fee refunds will NOT be provided to candidates. Before you take the NAPLEX, you may change your score transfer state free of cost. You may not request a change of state after you take the examination. To change the state you selected for score transfer, send the following information to NABP c/o Competency Assessment:

1. Your name
2. NABP e-Profile ID  
This is viewable by logging into the NAPLEX/MPJE registration site, clicking on Profile in the upper right corner, and then selecting Accounts from the left navigation bar.
3. The state you originally requested for score transfer
4. The state you wish to change your score transfer to

## Participating Score Transfer Jurisdictions

All 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands 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.

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\*If you have requested to change your NAPLEX state or if you have registered to resit for your examination after missing your scheduled NAPLEX appointment you will be required to contact NABP customer service in order to add a score transfer up to 90 days after your examination.



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# 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 27 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 Americans with Disabilities Act testing accommodations, contact the board of pharmacy well in advance of your desired testing date for information about the necessary procedures.
- ☐ Candidates may complete registration online at [www.nabp.net](http://www.nabp.net).
- ☐ 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). Score transfer requests may be submitted online up to 90 days after taking the NAPLEX.
- ☐ After you receive your Authorization to Test (ATT) letter, 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 Pearson Professional Center at least 30 minutes prior to your testing appointment. Bring two forms of acceptable identification. Acceptable identification is defined on page 9 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.

# Appendix

## 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.

State/Territory	Code
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
Tennessee	TN
Texas	TX
Utah	UT
Vermont	VT
Virgin Islands	VI
Virginia	VA
Washington	WA
West Virginia	WV
Wisconsin	WI
Wyoming	WY

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

NABP has assigned the following numeric codes for the schools.

#### State/Territory

#### State Code School

AL	001	Auburn University
AL	002	Samford University
AZ	082	Midwestern University–Glendale
AZ	003	University of Arizona
AR	096	Harding University
AR	004	University of Arkansas
CA	094	California Northstate
CA	089	Loma Linda University
CA	097	Touro University
CA	090	University of California, San Diego
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
CO	117	Regis University
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	123	Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy
GA	091	South University
GA	014	University of Georgia
HI	098	University of Hawaii
ID	015	Idaho State University
IL	111	Chicago State University
IL	077	Midwestern University
IL	099	Southern Illinois University
IL	016	University of Illinois, Chicago
IN	017	Butler University
IN	018	Purdue University
IA	019	Drake University
IA	020	University of Iowa
KS	021	University of Kansas
KY	093	Sullivan University
KY	022	University of Kentucky
LA	023	University of Louisiana, Monroe (formerly known as Northeast Louisiana University)
LA	024	Xavier University of Louisiana
MA	026	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, <b>Boston</b>
MA	085	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, <b>Worcester</b>
MA	027	Northeastern University

MD	115	Notre Dame of Maryland University
MD	025	University of Maryland
MD	122	University of Maryland Eastern Shore School of Pharmacy
ME	116	Husson College
ME	118	University of New England
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	Roseman University of Health Sciences
NY	045	Albany College of Pharmacy
NY	040	Columbia University
NY	120	D'Youville School of Pharmacy
NY	041	Fordham University
NY	042	Long Island University
NY	100	St John Fisher College
NY	043	St John's University
NY	044	State University of New York at Buffalo
NY	113	Touro New York
NC	046	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
NC	075	Campbell University
NC	092	Wingate University
ND	047	North Dakota State University
OH	101	Northeastern Ohio Universities
OH	048	Ohio Northern University
OH	049	Ohio State University
OH	050	University of Cincinnati Medical Center
OH	102	University of Findlay
OH	051	University of Toledo
OK	052	Southwestern Oklahoma State University
OK	053	University of Oklahoma
OR	054	Oregon State University
OR	103	Pacific 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
PA	095	Thomas Jefferson University

PR	059	University of Puerto Rico	WA	071	Washington State University
RI	060	University of Rhode Island	WV	109	University of Charleston
SC	061	Medical University of South Carolina (Graduates prior to 2010)	WV	072	West Virginia University
SC	121	Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy	WI	119	Concordia University School of Pharmacy
SC	104	South Carolina College of Pharmacy	WI	073	University of Wisconsin-Madison
SC	062	University of South Carolina (Graduates prior to 2010)	WY	074	University of Wyoming
SD	063	South Dakota State University	<b>Lebanon</b>		
TN	110	Belmont University	300		Lebanese American University
TN	105	East Tennessee State University	<b>Other</b>		
TN	112	Lipscomb University	999		Other
TN	114	Union University	<b>Canadian Schools</b>		
TN	064	University of Tennessee, Memphis	200		University of Alberta
TX	106	Texas A&M	201		University of British Columbia
TX	065	Texas Southern University	202		Dalhousie University
TX	078	Texas Tech University	203		Université Laval
TX	066	University of Houston	204		University of Manitoba
TX	107	University of the Incarnate Word	205		Memorial University of Newfoundland
TX	067	University of Texas at Austin	206		Université de Montréal
UT	068	University of Utah	207		University of Saskatchewan
VA	108	Appalachian College of Pharmacy	208		University of Toronto
VA	083	Hampton University			
VA	081	Shenandoah University			
VA	069	Virginia Commonwealth University			
WA	070	University of Washington			