

## **PHARMACIST LICENSURE BY EXAM**

New Mexico Board of Pharmacy

To be eligible for the NAPLEX and MPJE you must have 1500 intern/extern hours for the Doctor of Pharmacy program that includes a maximum of 1500 hours through an academic extern program or, 1500 intern/extern hours for the Bachelor of Science programs that includes a maximum of 675 hours obtained through an academic extern program. You must supply the NM Board of Pharmacy with a certified letter from your college of pharmacy, or from the resident state board where you attended school, verifying your intern hours.

All transferring Interns must complete an Application for Registration (available by calling, or e mail [sarah.Trujillo@state.nm.us](mailto:sarah.Trujillo@state.nm.us) , the New Mexico Board of Pharmacy) as Pharmacist by Examination. Please attach your school transcripts.

You are required to take both the NAPLEX and MPJE examinations. You may register online at [www.napb.net](http://www.napb.net) for both examinations. The process can take a few days or several weeks pending on if your application is complete. A passing score of 75 on each examination is required to be a licensed pharmacist in New Mexico.

You will be notified by mail regarding the results of your test within 3 to 5 days. If you have passed, an Application for Initial Licensure and Affidavit will be sent to you with the notification of a passing score. Complete the Pharmacist Application and Affidavit and return to the Board of Pharmacy with the appropriate fee. If you have failed you will be required to register with the NABP for the appropriate exam.

**16NMAC19.2.8 APPLICATIONS - SUBJECTS:** Applicants for licensure by examination shall pass the standard national examination currently known as NAPLEX and pass the NABP multi-state pharmacy jurisprudence examination (MPJE)

**A. EXAMINATIONS**

(1) In order to sit for the examination based on NAPLEX subjects, the applicant must be a graduate from a college of pharmacy accredited by the American council on pharmaceutical education (ACPE).

(2) To pass an examination, the candidate shall have a score of at least 75 in the NAPLEX examination.

(3) To pass the jurisprudence examination in the state of New Mexico, the candidate shall have a score of at least 75.

(4) Candidates taking NAPLEX in participating states may transfer scores in compliance with NABP "score transfer program", upon payment of the fee to the New Mexico board of pharmacy for registration by examination, and in compliance with such other requirements set by the New Mexico board of pharmacy so long as New Mexico participates in the NABP "score transfer program".

(5) Only those score-transfer applicants who have passed the NAPLEX examination and received their score may take the MPJE.

**B.** Graduates of schools or colleges of pharmacy not accredited by the American council on pharmaceutical education (A.C.P.E.), shall be eligible to take the

licensing examination required under this section by providing evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has satisfied the requirements of 61-11-9 NMSA 1978:

- (1) has submitted an application on a form supplied by the board;
- (2) has completed the internship requirements of Part 5; and
- (3) has successfully completed the national association of board of pharmacy foreign pharmacy graduate examination committee certification program.

**C.** Applicants with work experience as a pharmacist in another country may petition the board to accept the work experience in lieu of internship.

Please contact Ms. Sarah Trujillo at [sarah.Trujillo@state.nm.us](mailto:sarah.Trujillo@state.nm.us) or 505-222-9833 should you need further assistance.

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