

PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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To apply by **RECIPROCITY**, the following must be completed:

■ **NABP Official Application for Transfer of Pharmacist License**

Please utilize the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy's (NABP's) web site at www.nabp.net to submit your online application (Electronic Licensure Transfer Program® (ELTP®)). After NABP returns the processed application to you, please complete the appropriate sections of the application, attach a \$45.00 check or money order made payable to the "**Commonwealth of PA**" and submit the items to the Pennsylvania State Board of Pharmacy (Board).

■ **Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination**

You must take the Pennsylvania Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE) if you obtained your initial license after January 26, 1983 and you did not pass the FDLE for the license which is the basis of your license transfer. If you were licensed prior to January 26, 1983, you do not have to take the Pennsylvania MPJE. If you were licensed after January 26, 1983 but you have taken and passed the FDLE for the license which is the basis of your license transfer, you do not have to take the Pennsylvania MPJE.

If you must take the Pennsylvania MPJE, please register to take the exam at NABP's web site – www.nabp.net. Please note that the testing fee is determined by NABP. Since NABP is no longer providing printed *NAPLEX®/MPJE® Registration Bulletins*, please also access NABP's web site to review the online *NAPLEX®/MPJE® Registration Bulletin* for important information. Your test results will be provided to you only **by U.S. mail** approximately two to three weeks after the date of testing.

*Please note that if you are a graduate of a foreign pharmacy school, you must have FPGEC certification to reciprocate a pharmacist license to Pennsylvania. Any applicant who graduated **after** June 2002 with a Pharm. D. degree from the Lebanese American University in Byblos, Lebanon is a graduate of an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy and is, therefore, exempt from the FPGEC certification requirement. Applicants who graduated from baccalaureate programs accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs (CCAPP) commencing in 1993 and continuing until June 30, 2004 are also exempt from the FPGEC certification requirement.

The Board requires completion of at least 1,500 intern hours of which a maximum of 750 intern hours may be earned through a school of pharmacy's academic program. At least 750 intern hours must be earned outside of school. If you are unable to demonstrate that you have earned at least 750 intern hours outside of your school's academic program, the Board may be able to accept the full-time practice of pharmacy for one year in another U.S. state in lieu of the required intern hours.

For your information:

It is recommended that you complete the reciprocity process within six months of the date that NABP processed your "NABP Official Application for Transfer of Pharmacist License." Additional information must be submitted to the Board of Pharmacy after this six-month time period. An entirely **new** application and application fee must be filed if a pharmacist license is not issued to you **within 1 year** of the date that NABP processed your "NABP Official Application for Transfer of Pharmacist License."

The MPJE will test your knowledge of all federal and Pennsylvania state laws regarding the practice of pharmacy. Copies of the Pennsylvania Pharmacy Act and Board Regulations are available from the Board of Pharmacy office or may be downloaded/viewed at www.dos.state.pa.us. This web site also provides information on the laws/regulations governing the prescriptive authority of various medical practitioners. Information on the prescriptive authority of a medical practitioner is located under the board that licenses a particular medical practitioner. The Department of Health's Bureau of Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics has direct purview over the Pennsylvania Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act and Regulations and the Generic Equivalent Drug Law. You may contact the Bureau of Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics at (717) 787-4779 or download/view these laws and regulations at www.health.state.pa.us/ddc. Information on the Pennsylvania Department of Health's hospital and long-term care regulations may be viewed at www.health.state.pa.us. For a copy of the Long-Term Care Patient Access to Pharmaceuticals Act, please contact the Legislative Reference Bureau at (717) 787-7385.

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