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This is an amendment to Section 7, 9, and 10 of 16.13.3 NMAC, Effective 10/08/2024.

## **16.13.3.7 DEFINITIONS:**

**A. "Application for licensure form"** means the application form approved by the board for the candidate to apply for licensure by the board.

**B. "Authorization letter"** means the letter from the examination service authorizing the eligible candidate to sit for the national examination.

C. "Board approved administrator-in-training program" means an administrator-in-training program approved by the board, NAB or New Mexico health care association (NMHCA).

**D. "CBT"** refers to computer based test or testing.

E. "CBT fee" refers to the computer based testing fee assessed by the CBT vendor.

**F. "CBT vendor"** means the contractor who provides scheduling services, testing center facility, and use of computer equipment to candidates eligible to take the national standard licensing exam in computer based format.

G. "Computer based test" means a type of test in computer-based format designed to be administered through the use of a computer as opposed to a written test.

**H. "Computer based testing fee"** means the fee charged to the candidate by the CBT vendor for scheduling services and for use of the vendor's facility and computer equipment while taking the examination.

I. "Eligibility list" means the candidates listed by the service as eligible to take the examination.

**J. "Eligibility period**" means the sixty-day period from the date specified on the authorization letter to the eligible candidate.

**K. "Examination"** means the national licensing examination for licensure as provided by the national association of boards of examiners for long term care administrators (NAB), or its successor.

L. "Examination application form" means NAB's application form for computerized testing, which must be completed on-line through NAB's website.

**M. "Examination fee"** means the fee for the examination payable to NAB.

N. "Health Services Executive" means a board-based NAB qualification which exceeds this board's standards to be a Nursing Home Administrator. It is not a license, and it does not grant the holder of this qualification privileges as a Nursing Home Administrator licensee.

**O. "HSE"** is the acronym for Health Services Executive.

[N.] P. "NAB" is the acronym for the national association of long-term care administrator boards.

[O.] O. "National examination agency" means the national association of long-term care administrator boards or its successor.

[P-] <u>R.</u> "Preceptor" means a licensed nursing home administrator in good standing who gives practical experience to an administrator in training.

[Q-] <u>S.</u> "Professional examination service" means national association of long-term care administrator boards contractor for facilitating the development and offering of the examination in computer-based format.

[**R.**] <u>T.</u> "Testing center" means the CBT vendor location(s) where the examination is administered. [1/10/2000; 16.13.3.7 NMAC - Rn, 16 NMAC 13.3.7, 1/25/2001; A, 2/15/2004; A, 5/26/2016; A, 2/26/2022; 10/08/2024]

**16.13.3.9 DOCUMENTATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** Each applicant for licensure by examination must provide the following documents and fees to the board. Applications for licensure are valid for one year from date of receipt, and will be purged from the board's records after that date.

A. A completed board-approved application for licensure form [<del>, signed in the presence of a notary public</del>].

**B.** [A recent (within the last year) passport type photograph of the applicant that the applicant has signed on the back.

 $[\mathbf{D}_{\tau}]$  <u>C</u>. A statement of any other professional licenses held by the applicant either in New Mexico or in other states, and copies of the license(s).

[E.] D. Completed verification of licensure form(s) sent directly to the board by the applicant's other

state(s) of professional licensure, or verification of current Health Services Executive certification.

 $[\mathbf{F},]$   $\mathbf{E}$ . Three letters of reference from persons unrelated to the applicant sent directly to the board by the references.

[G.] F. A completed, approved release form authorizing the board to conduct a criminal records check.

[H.] <u>G.</u> The application and licensure fee, payable to the board (See Subsection B of 16.13.2.8 NMAC, "Fees").

[**I**.] <u>H.</u> Proof of completion of at least 1000 hours in a board approved administrator in training program or internship program in the form of:

(1) certification of a completion of a board approved administrator in training program from a NAB accredited institution providing the program; or

(2) proof of completion of 1000 hours in a board approved internship verified through a notarized letter between the preceptor and the applicant, and submission of an AIT monthly reports completed by the preceptor and the applicant-<u>; or</u>

(3) verification of Health Services Executive certification.

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**16.13.3.10 EXAM ELIGIBILITY DETERMINED:** Upon receipt of the completed licensure application form, all other required documentation, and application fee, the board or its designee will review the application materials, determine the applicant's eligibility to sit for the national licensing examination and notify the applicant in writing of eligibility or ineligibility.

**A.** Upon finding that the applicant is eligible to take the examination, the board shall notify the eligible candidate, in writing, that his or her application has been approved, and provide the candidate with NAB's website address to apply on-line to take the NAB exam.

**B.** The service shall notify the board electronically that the candidate has applied to take the examination and the board shall electronically indicate to the service the candidate's eligibility to take the exam.

**C.** Candidates are encouraged to wait until they receive official written notice from the board that their licensure application has been approved before they apply on-line to take the NAB exam. If the candidate prepays the NAB fee(s) and subsequently does not meet the board's licensure requirements and the board does not approve the candidate to take the exam, the fee(s) pre-paid to NAB are non-refundable.

**D.** An applicant who holds a Health Services Executive certification will have already met the requirements established by NAB and does not need to take the exam.

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