

**TITLE: Task Force To Examine Streamlining NABP
Competency Exams**

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WHEREAS, the public at large relies on the professionals that the state boards of pharmacy license and regulate to provide critical health care services; and

WHEREAS, state boards of pharmacy have a common duty to protect the public while ensuring a safe and streamlined process for pharmacist licensure; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that appropriate measures are in place to ensure the integrity of the competency exams used for pharmacist licensure; and

WHEREAS, at the same time, public policy supports scrutiny of the established licensure process to safely improve it.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that NABP convene a task force to examine feasible options for NABP and state boards of pharmacy to streamline NABP competency exam administration processes. Such options may include, but are not limited to, providing more testing center choices, enhancing communication between colleges and schools of pharmacy and NABP to alleviate delays in the posting of graduate transcripts, and allowing candidates to take the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination® and/or Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination® prior to or immediately after anticipated graduation.