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National Association of Boards of Pharmacy

License Portability at NABP-
Multi Faceted Approach

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About NABP

Founded in 1904, 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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About NABP

NABP is the only professional association that represents the state boards of pharmacy in all 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Bahamas, New Zealand, and ten Canadian provinces.

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Reciprocity History

- In 1904, NABP was founded around building a license transfer process for pharmacists
- Foundation for license transfer for pharmacists lies in the *NABP Constitution and Bylaws*
  - Article II of the *Constitution* states: "*The purpose of the Association is to provide for the interstate transfer in pharmacist licensure, based upon a uniform minimum standard of pharmacist education and uniform legislation . . .*"

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Reciprocity Headwinds

- State deregulatory approaches to increasing license mobility and portability
  - Temporary licensure, consumer choice
- Regional licensure compacts fracturing a national system of reciprocity
- Reduction of board resources
- Data security concerns

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NABP Approach- Multi Faceted and Interdependent

- Tie license transfer program to membership
- Aggregate competency, disciplinary and licensing information for objective board licensure decisions
- Provide an efficient electronic license transfer process
- Create a robust data management system that utilizes a unique identifier for data validation
- Provide an intuitive and secure board portal for programs and services access and processing

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Tie License Transfer to Membership

According to Article II of the *NABP Bylaws,* Active member boards are **required to:**

1) Utilize NABP to process transfer of licensure and;

2) Participate in and report to the NABP Clearinghouse, which serves as a national database of educational, competence, licensure, and disciplinary information.

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NABP Clearinghouse

- The NABP Clearinghouse is a national database of educational, competence, licensure, and disciplinary information on pharmacists practicing in NABP's member states and jurisdictions.
- The Clearinghouse houses information reported by the member boards of pharmacy on actions taken against wholesale distributors, pharmacies, pharmacy owners, pharmacy technicians, interns, and controlled substance (CS) licenses.

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License Transfer via NABP *e-LTP™*

- NABP's Electronic Licensure Transfer Program® (e-LTP™) enables licensed pharmacists to easily transfer their *existing* pharmacist license to one or more states or jurisdictions.
- NABP facilitates the electronic licensure transfer process on behalf of its member boards of pharmacy, who ultimately make the licensure decision.
- Most applicants are processed and vetted by NABP using the Clearinghouse data within the same day of application.

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NABP e-Profile

What is it?

- A Unique Identifier assigned to licensed or registered Individuals and Facilities.
- NABP e-Profiles are maintained in a centralized database and serve as a single source of information for a pharmacist's education, competency, licensure, and disciplinary information.
- Links licensees to all NABP Programs and collected state pharmacy board's data.

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NABP e-Profile Connect

- A secure electronic portal for member boards
- Review and process e-LTP™ applications
- Upload/access Clearinghouse information
- Share discipline alerts
- Access CE data using CPE Monitor® for licensure renewal, audits, and compliance
- Access to exam results and process exam eligibility
- Allows the sharing of real time data using eProfile

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What's New

- Data exchange w/ member boards
- Mobile solutions for pharmacists
  - Continuing education; *Full deployed*
  - Examination application; *In development*
  - e-LTP application; *In development*
- Assess areas of friction in current processes
- Monitoring state and federal portability initiatives

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Questions?

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