



## News Brief

### National Prescription Drug Take Back Day



April 29th marks the 12th annual drug takeback day in Virginia. Safely dispose of your expired or unused prescriptions in a safe, convenient, and responsible way at a drug takeback location near you.

- [Read a letter from DHP Director Dr. David Brown](#)
- [Learn more about the DEA prescription drug takeback initiative](#)
- [Find a collection site near you](#)

### Pending Regulatory Actions

A Periodic Review is underway for the **Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing Home Administrators** (18 VAC 95 – 20) and the **Regulations Governing the Practice of Assisted Living Facility Administrators** (18 VAC 95 – 30).



For more information or updates on the current stage and proposed language for these pending regulatory actions, please visit **The Virginia Regulatory Townhall Website** at <http://townhall.virginia.gov>.

### Reminder - Continuing Education Credits for Volunteer Services – New Regulations Became Effective March 9, 2017

**18VAC95-30-70. Continuing education requirements.** Up to two hours of the 20 hours required for annual renewal may be satisfied through delivery of services, without compensation, to low-income individuals receiving health services through a local health department or a free clinic organized in whole or primarily for the delivery of those services. One hour of continuing education may be credited for one hour of providing such volunteer services, as documented by the health department or free clinic.

**18VAC95-20-175. Continuing education requirements.** Up to two hours of the 20 hours required for annual renewal may be satisfied through delivery of services, without compensation, to low-income individuals receiving health services through a local health department or a free clinic organized in whole or primarily for the delivery of those services. One hour of continuing education may be credited for one hour of providing such volunteer services, as documented by the health department or free clinic.

# NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATOR BOARDS (NAB)

## New NAB Examination Structure

### Attention Exam Candidates and Prospective Examinees:



*In July 2017, NAB will transition its examinations to a new structure: examinees will need to pass a 110 item Core of Knowledge exam and a 55 item line of service exam. Please be advised that there will be a brief “blackout” period during this transition, in which no NAB exams will be administered. Examinees and prospective examinees must either plan to take the exam in its current form by June 17, or to prepare to take the new examination form after July 1. Candidate Handbooks, study guides and reference lists will be revised in accordance with the new exam structure some time this spring.*

In addition to the changes in exam structure, effective July 1, 2017, candidates will apply for examination eligibility through a new application system at <https://nab.useclarus.com>. **Please note that this new website will not be operational until July 1.** All candidate records from the current application system will be transferred to the new application system.

NAB’s examinations test for entry-level knowledge in long term care administration. The Nursing Home Administrator Exam (NHA) has been developed and administered by NAB for decades and is taken by over 2,000 candidates across the nation annually. The Residential Care/ Assisted Living Administrator Exam (RC/AL), has been offered by NAB since 2000; hundreds of candidates sit for this national exam, both from states that require the RC/AL as a condition of licensure and from voluntary candidates who are seeking to enhance their employment opportunities and increase their knowledge base.

### Timeline of Upcoming Events

June 1, 2017	June 17, 2017	June 30, 2017	July 1, 2017	July 5, 2017
Last day for candidates and prospective examinees to <b>apply for current</b> NHA and RCAL examinations			Candidates and prospective examinees may begin using the <b>new application system</b>	
	Last day for candidates and prospective examinees to <b>take current</b> NHA and RCAL examinations			First day of testing under <b>new NAB exam structure</b> introducing Core of Knowledge examination
		Last day candidates will have access to the existing application and results website		

\*The above information has been obtained from the National Association of Long-Term Care Administrator Boards (NAB). For more information, please visit NAB’s website at [www.nabweb.org](http://www.nabweb.org).

**Be sure to check our website often for updated news and information.**

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