

EXAMINEE HANDBOOK



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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

April 1, 2026	Opening of the July/August 2026 NPLEX application period
May 1, 2026	Deadline for submission of a July/August 2026 NPLEX application Deadline for submission of a July/August 2026 <i>Testing Accommodations Request Form</i> and all required forms and documentation Deadline for submission of a July/August 2026 <i>Comfort Measures Request Form</i> and all documentation
June 22, 2026	Posting of July/August 2026 NPLEX registration status to <i>NABNE Profiles</i>
June 26, 2026	Deadline for July/August 2026 NPLEX testing appointments to be made through Prometric
July 10, 2026	Deadline for receipt of a letter from an ANMP verifying completion of biomedical coursework (Part I Examination), or verifying or <i>pre-verifying</i> completion of graduation requirements (Part II Examinations) to establish eligibility to take the NPLEX in July/August 2026
July 27, 2026	Part II - Minor Surgery Examination
July 28, 2026	Part II - Elective Pharmacology Examination
July 30, 2026	Part II - Parenteral Medicine Examination
July 31, 2026	Part II - Acupuncture Examination
August 4, 2026	Part I - Biomedical Science Examination
August 10, 2026	Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (Section 1)
August 11, 2026	Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (Section 2)
August 12, 2026	Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (Section 3)
October 31, 2026	Deadline for receipt of letter from an ANMP verifying completion of graduation requirements for examinees who could not do so before taking the July/August 2026 NPLEX Part II Examinations

WHAT'S NEW

Beginning in July/August 2026:

- **The NPLEX will be administered in person at Prometric testing centers in July/August 2026!**
With hundreds of locations, it will be easier than ever to find a site near you. NABNE will **not** be offering online examinations or virtual proctoring.
- **Questions about the exam administration should be directed to [Prometric Customer Support](#)** after you have scheduled your testing appointment.
- Nursing/breastfeeding applicants may request to bring and use their breast-pumping equipment during the standard break for the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination only. Requests are required because NABNE needs to let Prometric know in advance to ensure they have the appropriate space available. For this request to be granted, a letter from your treating professional must be submitted directly to NABNE. You can obtain the *Lactation Space Request Form* by emailing testingaccommodations@nabne.org
- **Prometric will be distributing exam results** approximately seven (7) weeks after the exam administration.

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OVERVIEW

ABOUT NABNE AND NPLEX

NABNE (the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners) is an independent, nonprofit organization formed as a service to the naturopathic profession and the agencies that license/register naturopathic physicians. NABNE serves regulatory authorities by qualifying applicants to take the NPLEX (Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations), administering the examinations in partnership with Prometric, and sending exam results and transcripts to regulatory authorities.

The NABNE Board works with an Advisory Council comprised of representatives of:

- The Federation of Naturopathic Medicine Regulatory Authorities (FNMRA) representing the state/provincial naturopathic regulatory authorities
- The Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME)
- The Association of Accredited Naturopathic Medical Colleges (AANMC)
- The Council of Chief Academic and Clinical Officers (CCACO) representing the eight CNME-approved naturopathic medical programs
- The Naturopathic Medical Student Association (NMSA)
- The American Association of Naturopathic Physicians (AANP)
- The Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors (CAND)
- The naturopathic profession at large

NPLEX (Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations), Inc., is an independent, nonprofit organization whose purpose is to prepare valid and reliable board-level licensing examinations for the naturopathic medical profession in the US, US Territories, and Canada. Agencies that regulate the practice of naturopathic medicine may use NPLEX results in determining a candidate's eligibility for licensure/registration. NPLEX surveys the profession to determine the competencies that an entry-level ND must master, publishes the competencies on which examinees will be tested, develops the NPLEX, establishes the passing score, and scores the NPLEX.

THE NPLEX EXAMINATIONS

The NPLEX examinations are competency-based. A competency-based exam is an assessment designed to evaluate ability to perform specific skills or tasks in a profession, focusing on a practical application of knowledge rather than just memorization. The exams utilize clinical scenarios as a framework for demonstrating proficiency in naturopathic medical principles and application.

The NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination (BSE) may be taken after you have completed all biomedical science coursework at an approved naturopathic medical program (ANMP). The purpose of the BSE is to ensure that a student has acquired the foundation in biomedical sciences that is essential to clinical training, as well as for practice as a naturopathic medical doctor.

The NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (CCSE) may be taken after you have passed the Part I Examination. The purpose of the CCSE is to ensure that a graduate has acquired the broad foundational knowledge to practice as a minimally competent naturopathic medical doctor. Minimal competence is the term used for professional licensing exams, to gauge the knowledge, skill, and ability necessary to safely practice as a licensed/registered naturopathic medical doctor.

The NPLEX Part II - Elective Examinations (EEs) in Acupuncture (AEE), Elective Pharmacology (EPE), Minor Surgery (MSEE), and Parenteral Medicine (PMEE) assess minimal competence in additional areas that may not be addressed in the CCSE. You might be required to take some or all Part II Elective Examinations or to take additional examinations administered by a regulatory authority. (see *STATE AND PROVINCIAL REQUIREMENTS TABLE*, page 19).

ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE THE NPLEX

APPROVED NATUROPATHIC MEDICAL PROGRAMS

To be eligible to take the NPLEX, you must have completed the appropriate academic requirements at an [approved naturopathic medical program](#) (ANMP). An ANMP is a program that has accreditation or pre-accreditation from the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME) and offers a minimum four-academic-year, in-residence curriculum in biomedical science and clinical didactic studies, as well as clinical (experiential) training leading to an ND degree.

Accredited Naturopathic Medical Education Programs (ANMPs):

- Bastyr University - Seattle Campus (BU): Kenmore, Washington
- Bastyr University - San Diego Campus (BUC): San Diego, California
- Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine - Boucher Campus (CCNM - B): New Westminster, British Columbia
- Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine - Toronto Campus (CCNM - T): Toronto, Ontario
- National University of Health Sciences (NUHS): Lombard, Illinois
- National University of Natural Medicine (NUNM): Portland, Oregon
- Sonoran University of Health Sciences (SUHS), *formerly Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine*: Tempe, Arizona
- Universidad Ana G. Mendez (UAGM): Caguas, Puerto Rico
- University of Western States (UWS): Portland, Oregon

Previously Accredited Naturopathic Medical Education Programs (ANMPs) No Longer in Operation or Have Merged with Another Institution:

- Boucher Institute of Naturopathic Medicine
- University of Bridgeport College of Naturopathic Medicine

NPLEX PART I ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

You are eligible to take the Part I - Biomedical Science Examination (BSE) if you:

- Have completed all biomedical science coursework requirements at an approved naturopathic medical program (ANMP)

AND

- Are currently enrolled in, on an approved leave of absence, or have graduated from an ANMP.
 - If you graduated more than five (5) years ago, contact NABNE regarding additional requirements.

NPLEX PART II ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

You are eligible to take the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (CCSE) if you:

- Have completed all graduation requirements at an ANMP within the last five (5) years
 - If you completed all graduation requirements more than five (5) years ago and have not passed both the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science and the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examinations, contact NABNE regarding additional requirements.

OR

- Will have completed all graduation requirements at an ANMP no later than April 30th for examination(s) taken in February and no later than October 31st for examination(s) taken in July/August. If this applies to you:

- NABNE must receive written *pre-verification* of completion of all graduation requirements from your ANMP prior to the NPLEX administration.
- Your exam results will not be released until NABNE receives written verification of completion of all graduation requirements from your ANMP, no later than April 30th for an examination taken in February and no later than October 31st for an examination taken in July/August.
 - If NABNE does not receive verification that you have completed all graduation requirements by the deadlines stated above, results from the examination(s) you took during the current NPLEX administration will be nullified.

AND

- Passed the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination within the last ten (10) years.
 - If it has been more than ten (10) years since you passed the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination, you are required to retake and pass the Part I - Biomedical Science Examination before you will be allowed to take or retake any Part II - Clinical Science Examinations. If this applies to you, contact NABNE regarding additional requirements.

You are eligible to take the NPLEX Part II - Elective Pharmacology (EPE), Minor Surgery (MSEE), and/or Parenteral Medicine Examination(s) (PMEE) if you have:

- Met the eligibility requirements for the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination
- Already taken or will be taking the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination during the same NPLEX administration

OR

- Previously passed the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination or the Part II - Clinical Science Exam Series.

You are eligible to take the NPLEX Part II - Acupuncture Elective Examination (AEE) if you have:

- Met the eligibility requirements for the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination
- Already taken or will be taking the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination during the same NPLEX administration

OR

- Previously passed the NPLEX Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination or the Part II - Clinical Science Exam Series.

AND

- Met one of the following criteria:

- You have graduated from an ANMP that requires at least 220 hours of didactic training in acupuncture, and have completed at least 30 hours of clinical training

OR

- You have completed at least 220 hours of didactic training and at least 30 hours of clinical training in acupuncture from an institution accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine (ACAAM), and you have submitted to NABNE:
 - A transcript from the institution verifying the hours of training in acupuncture you have completed

AND

- A letter from a regulatory authority stating that the training in acupuncture you have completed meets jurisdictional eligibility requirements for licensure/registration

Contact the regulatory authority in the jurisdiction in which you plan to practice to determine which, if any, NPLEX Part II - Elective Examinations you will be required to pass to become eligible for licensure/registration (See *STATE AND PROVINCIAL CONTACTS*, page 20).

APPLICATION TO TAKE THE NPLEX

NABNE FEES

You must submit all applications and requests for transcripts via the NABNE website. All fees must be paid in **US dollars** online with a debit or credit card. The NABNE payment system accepts Visa and MasterCard **only**.

Part I - Biomedical Science Examination	US\$800
Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination	US\$1,315
Part II - Elective Examination	US\$335
Transcript (per recipient)	US\$30

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

You can submit your application to take the July/August 2026 NPLEX via the *Applicant Portal* on the NABNE website (www.nabne.org) **April 1-May 1, 2026**. NABNE recommends that you submit your application **as early in the application period as possible**. If you wait until the day of the application deadline to apply and need technical assistance to submit your application, NABNE staff may not be available to help you. **It is your responsibility to follow the instructions required to complete your application and schedule your Prometric testing appointment.**

Steps before submitting your application:

- **Review this *Handbook***, which is the best source for up-to-date policies, changes, and essential information you need to know, even if you have previously taken the NPLEX.
- **Ensure that you are eligible to take the examination(s)** for which you are applying (see *ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE THE NPLEX*, page 2).
- **Create a *NABNE Profile* via the [Applicant Portal](#) of the NABNE website.**
 - **If you took the NPLEX in February 2026**, you should use the same email and password to log in to your *NABNE Profile* to access the July/August 2026 NPLEX application.
 - **If you did NOT take the NPLEX in February 2026**, go to the *Applicant Portal* and click on **APPLY**, even if you took the NPLEX in the past.
 - **If you forget your password, DO NOT create a new *NABNE Profile*** because this will cause problems when it's time to access your registration status. Instead, use the *Password Reset* link to create a new password. The *Reset Password* link you receive by email is valid for one use only. Once you have created a new password, return to the *Applicant Portal* to log in to your *NABNE Profile* dashboard to access the application.
- **Create a scanned or digital copy of your unexpired government-issued photo ID with signature** (e.g., driver's license, government-issued photo ID card, passport photo page, passport card, etc.). The **first** and **last** names on the ID you upload must **exactly** match the first and last names you enter on the application form.
- **Contact the regulatory authority in the jurisdiction in which you plan to practice (Part II applicants only)** to confirm the NPLEX Part II - Elective Examinations you are required to pass to be eligible for licensure/registration (see *STATE AND PROVINCIAL CONTACTS*, page 20).

Submitting your application and payment:

- **Complete the appropriate application (Part I or Part II) and upload an image of your unexpired government-issued photo ID with signature.**
- **Upload an image of documentation that verifies an official name change** made since the last time you applied to take the NPLEX (e.g., marriage license, name change order, etc.).
- **Pay all fees in US dollars, using a debit or credit card.** The NABNE payment system accepts Visa and MasterCard only. **Payment must be made at the time of application.**
- **Review your entries for accuracy.** You will not be able to edit, delete, or change the application after you click SUBMIT. Report corrections to your application by [contacting NABNE](#).
- **Right after you submit your application, check your email for your *NABNE Confirmation Receipt*.** If you do not receive your *NABNE Confirmation Receipt* within the next several minutes, be sure to check your spam folder.
- **Download the *NPLEX Blueprint and Study Guide*** from the link provided in your *NABNE Confirmation Receipt*.
- **Contact NABNE if you need to add an Elective Examination (Part II applicants only)** after you have submitted your application **DO NOT submit a second application.** You will **not** be allowed to add examinations after the application deadline.
- **Confirm your July/August 2026 NPLEX registration status on your *NABNE Profile* dashboard after June 22, 2026.** [Contact NABNE](#) if any of the information you provided is incorrect.

SCHEDULING YOUR PROMETRIC TESTING APPOINTMENT

Approximately one week to ten days after the application deadline, you will receive a *Pre-Registration* email from Prometric with instructions for scheduling your testing appointment(s). The email you receive will be sent from registrations@isoqualitytesting.com. Follow the instructions provided in the email you receive from Prometric to schedule your testing appointment (see *IMPORTANT TEST SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS*, page 6).



Plan to schedule your testing appointment(s) at a Prometric testing center as early as possible because availability is on a first-come, first-served basis NABNE cannot guarantee that a spot will be available at the Prometric testing center of your choice. Testing appointments must be scheduled through Prometric **no later than June 26, 2026**. If you do not schedule your testing appointment(s) by June 26, 2026, your application will be cancelled, and you will be subject to NABNE's cancellation and refund policy.

You will be required to provide the following information when you schedule your exam:

- **The name you use to schedule your testing appointment** must **exactly** match the name shown on your unexpired government-issued photo ID that shows your name, photograph, and your signature.
- **Your User ID and password**, which will be provided in the email you receive from Prometric
- **Contact phone numbers.** In the event there is a problem, Prometric will use these numbers to reach you.
- **Mailing address.** Please provide the postal mailing address to which you would like paper correspondence sent.
- **Exam name**
- **The email address you provided on your NPLEX application**

Important Test Scheduling Instructions

- You must schedule your testing appointment(s) to begin within the start time window listed for your selected Prometric test center.
 - Follow instructions for the specific examination(s) you have applied to take.
- Prometric may display appointment times outside of these required windows.
- **Do not select an appointment outside the required start time window.**
 - If you schedule your testing appointment outside the required start time window for your selected test center, your appointment will be rescheduled by Prometric.
 - Appointments will be rescheduled by Prometric based on available capacity and may be moved to a different test center. This may result in assignment to a location other than your preferred testing site.
 - If your appointment is rescheduled, you will receive an updated *Candidate Admission Letter*.
- You are encouraged to schedule your testing appointment early to secure preferred testing locations and times.

NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination (BSE)

Required Start Time Window by Time Zone for August 4, 2026

- Newfoundland (NDT): 13:30–14:30
- Atlantic Canada (ADT): 13:00–14:00
- Eastern (EDT): 12:00–13:00
- Puerto Rico (AST): 11:00–12:00
- Central (CDT): 11:00–12:00
- Mountain (MDT): 10:00–11:00
- Saskatchewan (CST, no DST): 10:00–11:00
- Pacific (PDT) and Arizona (MST, no DST): 09:00–10:00
- Alaska (AKDT): 08:00–09:00
- Hawaii (HST): 08:00–09:00

NPLEX Part II – Core Clinical Science Examination (CCSE)

Required Start Time Window by Time Zone for August 10, 11 & 12, 2026

You must schedule separate testing appointments for **all three days of the CCSE**. All three days of testing have the same start time window.

- Newfoundland (NDT): 14:30–15:30
- Atlantic Canada (ADT): 14:00–15:00
- Eastern (EDT) & Puerto Rico (AST): 13:00–14:00
- Central (CDT): 12:00–13:00
- Mountain (MDT): 11:00–12:00
- Saskatchewan (CST, no DST): 11:00–12:00
- Pacific (PDT) and Arizona (MST, no DST): 10:00–11:00
- Alaska (AKDT): 09:00–10:00
- Hawaii (HST): 08:00–09:00

NPLEX Part II - Elective Examinations (EEs)

- You may schedule your testing appointment for Elective Examinations at any available time they are offered on the following dates:
 - **July 27, 2026** - Minor Surgery Examination
 - **July 28, 2026** - Elective Pharmacology Examination
 - **July 30, 2026** - Parenteral Medicine Examination
 - **July 31, 2026** - Acupuncture Examination
- Appointment availability depends on the specific examination, testing center, and seating capacity.
- Not all testing centers offer every Elective Examination.
- Available appointment times for Elective Examinations are determined by Prometric.
- You are encouraged to schedule early to secure preferred testing locations and times.

Once you have scheduled your testing appointment(s), you will be emailed a *Candidate Admission Letter* from Prometric. You will receive a separate *Candidate Admission Letter* for each testing appointment you have scheduled. You must print and bring this letter with you on the day of your exam (a digital copy will not be accepted). If you do not have a printed copy of your *Candidate Admission Letter*, you will be denied entry to your scheduled examination and will forfeit any fees you have paid. To begin the examination, you will need the *Candidate User ID* and *Password* provided in your *Candidate Admission Letter*.

After you have scheduled your testing appointment, any questions about the exam day should be directed to [Prometric](#).

CONFIRMING YOUR ELIGIBILITY

When you submit your application or schedule your testing appointment(s), your eligibility to take the NPLEX may not yet have been confirmed. After you submit your application, NABNE works directly with the registrar at your ANMP to obtain the letter required to verify you have completed all biomedical science coursework (Part I Examination), or to verify that you either have or will have completed all graduation requirements no later than October 31, 2026 (Part II Examinations). When NABNE receives this letter and all materials required to complete your application, you will be approved to take the examination(s), and your registration status will be updated in your online *NABNE Profile*.

If NABNE receives verification from your ANMP that you will *not* be able to complete the appropriate requirements, you will not be allowed to take the examination(s) during the current NPLEX administration and you will be subject to NABNE's refund policy (see *CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS*, page 8).

- **If your ANMP has verified that you will *not* eligible to take the examination *after* you have scheduled your testing appointment,** you will need to contact [Prometric](#) to cancel your examination(s). You will not be allowed to take the examination(s) during the current NPLEX administration, and you will be subject to NABNE's refund policy.
- **If you take an examination and are later determined to be ineligible,** your results from the examinations you took during the current NPLEX administration will be nullified, and all fees you paid with your application will be forfeited.

REPORTING AN ADDRESS OR NAME CHANGE

It is your responsibility to ensure that NABNE has the current postal mailing address where you can receive written correspondence and valid information regarding your legal name. If the first and last names on your current government-issued photo ID do not **exactly** match the first and last names you provided in your online application or **Name Change Form**, you may not be admitted to the examination(s).

If you have had a change of address since the time you submitted your application, notify NABNE using the online **Address Change Form**.

If you have had a legal name change since you last applied to take the NPLEX, notify NABNE using the online **Name Change Form**. When you complete this form, you will be required to upload a copy of:

- **Documentation verifying your official name change** (e.g., marriage license, name change order, etc.)
- **One piece of unexpired government-issued photo ID** (e.g., driver's license, government-issued photo ID card, passport photo page, or passport card issued under your **new** name)

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS

NABNE does not transfer examinations or fees to later exam dates.

- **To cancel your registration BEFORE you schedule your NPLEX testing appointment with Prometric**, complete the NABNE *Cancellation Form*.
- **To cancel your registration AFTER you schedule your testing appointment with Prometric**, submit your cancellation through Prometric's [IQT Scheduling System](#).
 - You will be required to pay an additional fee to Prometric according to the refund schedule below. You can make this payment at the time you submit your cancellation to Prometric.
 - If you have been approved to receive a comfort measure or testing accommodation and cancel your examination(s), you must also send an additional notification of your absence to testingaccommodations@nabne.org.

If you cancel your registration, you will be required to complete and submit a new application and fees to NABNE when you choose to re-register.

The following refund schedule applies to all NPLEX examinations administered at Prometric testing centers:

Part I - Biomedical Science Examination Refund

- April 1 - May 1, 2026: \$725
- Up to 5 days before exam date: \$700
- Less than 5 days before exam date:
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS** approved by Prometric: \$700
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS NOT** approved by Prometric: \$600

Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination Refund

- April 1 - May 1, 2026: \$1,240
- Up to 5 days before exam date: \$1,215
- Less than 5 days before exam date:
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS** approved by Prometric: \$1,215
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS NOT** approved by Prometric: \$965

Part II - Elective Examination Refund

- April 1 - May 1, 2026: \$260
- Up to 5 days before exam date: \$225
- Less than 5 days before exam date:
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS** approved by Prometric: \$225
 - If the reason for cancellation **IS NOT** approved by Prometric: \$190

Additional Prometric Cancellation Fee

- April 1 - May 1, 2026: \$0
- Up to 31 days before exam date if you have scheduled a testing appointment: \$25
- 30 days or less before exam date if you have scheduled a testing appointment: \$35

No-Show Policy

Candidates who do not appear for their scheduled testing appointment and do not cancel through Prometric will forfeit all exam fees.

Conditional Examinees

Candidates who sit for an examination conditionally must provide confirmation of graduation by the required deadline. If NABNE does not receive confirmation, all exam fees will be forfeited.

Ineligible Candidates

Candidates who are determined to be ineligible will be refunded based on when the ineligibility was reported or discovered by NABNE. If NABNE receives confirmation after the exam has taken place, all exam fees will be forfeited.

PRIVACY POLICY

NABNE collects and uses candidate information in connection with examination administration and related activities in accordance with its [Privacy Policy](#), which is available on the NABNE website.

NPLEX EXAMINATION FORMATS

PART I - BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE EXAMINATION FORMAT

The Part I - Biomedical Science Examination is designed to measure readiness to enter the clinical phase of training by assessing your mastery of the competencies identified by biomedical science faculty from the accredited naturopathic medical colleges. The Part I - Biomedical Science Examination tests your knowledge of structure/function (anatomy, physiology, and biochemistry & genetics) and disease/dysfunction (microbiology & immunology and pathology).

- The BSE has a total of 200 questions.
- It will be administered in two sessions.
- Each session will consist of 100 questions.
- You will have 2.5 hours to complete each session.
- Both sessions will be administered on the same day, for example: one session in the morning and one session in the afternoon.
- The entire exam will consist of 50 case clusters in which you will be presented with a brief summary of the case, including the patient's diagnosis.
 - You will then be asked four questions on aspects of the biomedical sciences that pertain to that case.

PART II - CLINICAL SCIENCE EXAMINATION FORMATS

The Part II - Clinical Science Examinations are designed to test the skills and knowledge that an entry-level naturopathic physician must have to practice safely.

Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (CCSE):

- The CCSE has a total of 400 questions.
- It will be administered in three sessions.
- Each session will consist of approximately 133 questions.
- You will have 3.5 hours to complete each session.
- Each session will be administered on a different day.
- You will be required to sit for all three sessions.
- The exam will consist of 75-85 clinical summaries, which may include a description of a patient's chief concern, their medical history, and pertinent objective findings.
- You will then be asked a series of four to six questions relating to the clinical summary. There may be some stand-alone questions, but the majority will be case-based as described above.

Part II - Elective Examinations (EEs) in Acupuncture (AEE), Elective Pharmacology (EPE), Minor Surgery (MSEE), and/or Parenteral Medicine (PMEE):

- Each Elective Examination (EE) will consist of 75 questions.
- You will have 90 minutes to complete each EE.
- Each EE will be administered during separate time slots, so there will be no scheduling conflicts.
- Some of the EEs will have brief clinical summaries followed by a series of questions, and some of the EEs will have only stand-alone questions, or a combination of both.
- Basic math calculations may appear on the Pharmacology (EPE) and the Parenteral Medicine (PMEE) examinations. Approximately 1% of the questions (1 out of 75) may require basic functions such as division or multiplication.

As part of your application to take the NPLEX, you will receive a link to a PDF of the current *NPLEX Blueprint & Study Guide* for the NPLEX examination(s) you have applied to take in the *NABNE Confirmation Receipt* you receive by email. If you are not applying to take the NPLEX but wish to obtain a PDF of the study guide, you may download a copy via the [Handbooks & Forms](#) page of the NABNE website.

The *NPLEX Blueprint and Study Guide* is updated regularly. A study guide downloaded before the current application period may not contain updated blueprint changes.

Many other sources produce study materials, but NPLEX cannot verify whether those materials accurately represent the content of the NPLEX examinations. This does not mean that those materials may not be helpful; it just means that they are not in any way affiliated with NPLEX.

NPLEX EXAM ADMINISTRATION

NPLEX EXAM DATES

The NPLEX will be administered at Prometric Test Centers on the following dates:

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Part II - Acupuncture Examination	July 31, 2026

PROMETRIC TEST SITES

The NPLEX will be administered in person at Prometric testing centers in the US, Canada, and Puerto Rico. With hundreds of locations, it will be easier than ever to find a site near you. NABNE will **not** be offering online examinations or virtual proctoring.

WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOUR EXAM DAY

Plan ahead for your exam day by learning what to expect at a Prometric test center. You can access the information you need to know via the following links:

- [Prepare for Your Exam Day](#)
- [Prometric Test Center Policies](#)
- [Prometric Pre-Approved Items](#)
 - If you need a comfort measure that is not already on the [Prometric Pre-Approved Items](#) list, you can complete the *NABNE Comfort Measures Request Form*, which can be obtained by emailing testingaccommodations@nabne.org. Your completed request form must be submitted to NABNE no later than the current application deadline. While NABNE aims to grant requests for comfort measures to applicants who request them, approval is not guaranteed.
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- [Prometric Testing Support](#)
- [Prometric Test Center Closures](#)

NABNE OBLIGATION TO ADMINISTER EXAMINATIONS

Administration by Prometric and Events Beyond NABNE's Control

Examinations may be delivered at testing centers operated by Prometric or its affiliates. Prometric is an independent contractor and is not an agent of NABNE. Testing disruptions, technical issues, delays, interruptions, cancellations, or other administrative events may occur.

NABNE is not responsible for delays, interruptions, or cancellations caused by events beyond its reasonable control, including, but not limited to technical failures, weather events, public health conditions, or testing center closures. If an examination cannot be administered as scheduled because of such circumstances, NABNE may reschedule the examination or provide another remedy in accordance with its policies.

IRREGULAR BEHAVIOR AND EXAMINATION SECURITY

NABNE and Prometric are committed to maintaining a secure and fair testing environment. All examinees are required to follow test center rules and all instructions provided by staff.

Irregular behavior includes any action that may compromise the security of the examination, the confidentiality of examination content, or the fairness of the testing process. Irregular behavior may occur before, during, or after the examination.

Prohibited Conduct

The following are examples of irregular behavior:

- Possession of unauthorized items in the testing room after admission, including:
 - Mobile phones
 - Smart watches
 - Electronic devices, and
 - Notes or written materials.
- Accessing any unauthorized materials or devices at any time during the examination
- Attempting to view another examinee's screen or materials
- Attempting to bypass or interfere with test center security procedures
- Reproducing, recording, or sharing examination content
- Disruptive behavior that interferes with the testing environment

Possession of unauthorized items in the testing room may be considered irregular behavior regardless of intent or actual use.

Examinees will not have access to personal items, including phones, during the examination or scheduled breaks.

Review and Outcomes

If irregular behavior is suspected:

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- Your examination results may be placed on hold while NABNE reviews the matter.
- You will be notified and given an opportunity to respond.
- A hold on your results does not mean a final decision has been made.

Possible Consequences

If irregular behavior is confirmed, NABNE may take one or more of the following actions:

- Issue a warning or notation on your record or examination results
- Invalidate your examination results
- Suspend you from future testing
- Prohibit you from future NABNE examinations
- Notify regulatory or licensing authorities where appropriate

More serious conduct, particularly involving access to or sharing of examination content, may result in more severe consequences.

Additional Information

A complete description of irregular behavior, the review process, and potential sanctions is available in the [**NABNE Irregular Behavior and Exam Security Policy**](#) on the NABNE website.

Examinee Responsibility

By registering for and taking a NABNE examination, you agree to follow all NABNE and Prometric policies, test center rules, and staff instructions. Failure to comply may result in action under NABNE policies.

POST-EXAMINATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

NPLEX PART I PASSING STANDARDS

The Part I - Biomedical Science Examination (BSE) is designed to test your knowledge of biological structure/function and disease/dysfunction. To pass the examination, you must be able to demonstrate concurrent competence in both **general** exam areas (GEAs): **Structure/Function** and **Disease/Dysfunction**. You have passed the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination when you have correctly answered at least the number of questions that NPLEX subject matter experts (licensed/registered NDs) have determined is required to demonstrate competence in each of the two **general** exam areas. You are required to pass both general exam areas within the same exam administration to pass the examination.

NPLEX PART II PASSING STANDARDS

The Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination (CCSE) is designed to test your knowledge of diagnosis, treatment, and medical interventions. You have passed the Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination when you have correctly answered at least the number of questions that NPLEX subject matter experts (licensed/registered NDs) have determined is required to demonstrate concurrent competence in four **general** exam areas (GEAs): **Diagnosis, Materia Medica, Other Modalities, and Medical Interventions**. You are required to pass all four general exam areas within the same exam administration to pass the examination.

You have passed a Part II - Elective Examination (EE) in Acupuncture (AEE), Elective Pharmacology (EPE), Minor Surgery (MSEE), and/or Parenteral Medicine (PMEE) when you have achieved a minimum **converted** score of 75. A converted score of 75 is a scaled score that represents the minimum percentage of items you must answer correctly to pass the examination. It is **not** the percentage of correct answers. The actual percentage represented by a converted (scaled) score of 75 is usually in the range of 60-70%, depending on the difficulty of the examination.

REPORTING OF EXAM RESULTS

Your exam results will be distributed to you via Prometric approximately seven (7) weeks after the exam administration.

- **If you took the Part II - Clinical Science Examinations and *did not* complete all graduation requirements before the exam date**, your exam results will not be released until NABNE has received, **no later than April 30th** (for examinations taken in February) or **no later than October 31st** (for examinations taken in July/August), written verification from your ANMP that you have completed graduation requirements. If NABNE does not receive this letter by the deadline, your exam results will be nullified, and all fees will be forfeited. If NABNE receives written verification of graduation from your ANMP, Prometric will notify you when your results become available.

If you took the Part II - Clinical Science Examinations, NABNE will also send, to the single regulatory authority you indicated on your *Part II Application*, a transcript of your Part I (or previous NPLEX results) and the official report of your Part II - Clinical Science exam results (including the Core Clinical Science and any Elective Examinations you took).

Exam results are the property of the examinee. NABNE serves as an unbiased repository of those results. Your NPLEX results will be released only to the regulatory authority you have designated on your NPLEX Part II application or transcript request. To avoid possible misinterpretation and to protect your privacy, **exam results will not be reported to you by phone, fax, or email.**

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

Prior to the NPLEX administration, NABNE sends a transcript of your previous NPLEX results to the single regulatory authority you selected on your application and, when they become available, sends the report of your results from the current NPLEX administration to the same regulatory authority.

Requests to have transcripts sent to **additional** regulatory authorities should be submitted **after** your results from the current NPLEX administration become available. This will ensure that the transcript NABNE sends will include the results you achieved for both your Part I - Biomedical Science, Part II - Core Clinical Science, and Part II - Elective Examinations you have taken.

Submit your request and US\$30 payment via the *Transcript Request Form*. Transcript requests are typically processed by NABNE within three to five (3-5) business days of receipt.

An **official** transcript of NPLEX exam results must be sent directly from NABNE to a regulatory authority or other entity. A transcript requested to be sent directly to you is considered **unofficial** and will be noted as such.

RE-EXAMINATION POLICIES

Part I - Biomedical Science Examination

- **If you do not pass both of the two general exam areas** (Structure/Function or Disease/Dysfunction), you will be required to retake the entire Part I - Biomedical Science Examination.

Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination

- **If you do not pass any of the four general exam areas** (Diagnosis, Materia Medica, Other Modalities, and Medical Interventions), you will be required to retake the entire Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination.
- **If you do not pass the Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination within 5 years of completing graduation requirements at an ANMP**, you will be required to complete an additional requirement. [contact NABNE](#) if this applies to you.
- **If you do not pass the Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination within ten (10) years of passing the Part I - Basic Science Series or Biomedical Science Examination**, you will be required to retake and pass the Part I - Biomedical Science Examination before you will be allowed to take or retake the Part II - Clinical Science Examinations. If this applies to you, [contact NABNE](#) regarding additional eligibility requirements.

Part II - Elective Examinations

Once you have taken the Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination, you may retake any Part II - Elective Examination (Acupuncture, Elective Pharmacology, Minor Surgery, and/or Parenteral Medicine) during any subsequent NPLEX administration. You will not be required to retake a Part II - Elective Examination you have previously passed, regardless of whether you are required to retake the Part II - Core Clinical Science Examination.

ISSUES AND APPEALS

Because NPLEX uses an extensive post-test analysis process (including statistical analysis of individual items), the exam results sent to you reflect changes made after post-test analysis of items that did not perform as expected. Consequently, **NABNE does not change exam results.**

If you wish to appeal a **policy** decision, you must submit your appeal to NABNE in writing or by email, addressed to the Executive Director of NABNE. NABNE will make every effort to respond to you with a decision within ten (10) weeks of receipt of your appeal.

NABNE - Appeals

Suite 119, #321
9220 SW Barbur Blvd.
Portland, OR 97219
info@nabne.org
Attn: Executive Director

LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

The NPLEX measures minimal competence in the medical knowledge you need to be a safe naturopathic practitioner. **Board Certification** implies the completion of additional education and testing beyond this degree of entry-level qualification. Therefore, passing the NPLEX does **not** mean that you are **board-certified**.

ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSURE/REGISTRATION

Passing the NPLEX examination(s) does not guarantee licensure/registration. Licensing and registration decisions are made solely by the applicable regulatory authorities.

NPLEX EXAMINATIONS AND JURISDICTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations (NPLEX) are used by regulatory authorities in the US and Canada as part of the licensure or registration process for the practice of naturopathic medicine. Because the examinations are used across multiple jurisdictions, they assess the general knowledge and competencies expected of entry-level practitioners in the naturopathic medical profession. As a result, examination content may reflect knowledge and competencies relevant across jurisdictions in the US and Canada. This may include topics that extend beyond the scope of practice in any particular jurisdiction.

Licensure or registration requirements vary by jurisdiction and may change over time. NABNE provides general information about jurisdictional requirements as a reference for candidates, however, NABNE cannot guarantee that such information is complete or current. Candidates are responsible for confirming the specific examination requirements and other licensure requirements with the regulatory authority in the jurisdiction where they intend to seek licensure or registration.

STATE AND PROVINCIAL REQUIREMENTS TABLE

State Requirements (US)

NPLEX Examinations	AK	AZ	CA	CO	CT	DC	HI	ID	KS	MA	MD	ME	MN	MT	ND	NH	NM	OR	PA	PR	RI	UT	VT	WA	WI
Part I - BSE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Part II - CCSE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Part II - AEE		•							○																
Part II - EPE								•						•			•	•					○		•
Part II - MSEE		•					○	•				•		•			•	•				•	•	•	•
Part II - PMEE																		○							

Provincial Requirements (Canada)

NPLEX Examinations	AB	BC	MB	SK
Part I - BSE	•	•	•	•
Part II - CCSE	•	•	•	•
Part II - AEE	○		○	•
Part II - EPE				
Part II - MSEE	○	•		
Part II - PMEE				

○ You are required to take the examination only if you wish to use this modality in your practice.

You should contact individual regulatory authorities for the most current and accurate information regarding their specific requirements for licensure/registration. Some regulatory authorities require jurisprudence, oral, and other jurisdiction-specific examinations. These jurisdiction-specific examinations are not prepared, coordinated, scheduled, or administered by NABNE. NABNE administers only the NPLEX. To confirm NPLEX exam requirements and to apply for and arrange to take jurisprudence and other jurisdiction-specific examinations, you are responsible for checking with the regulatory authority in the jurisdiction in which you plan to practice.

STATE AND PROVINCIAL CONTACTS

ALASKA (AK)

Division of Corporations, Business,
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Naturopath Section
PO Box 110806
Juneau, AK 99811-0806
Phone: 907-465-2550
Email: [CPBL Professional Licensing Contact Form](#)
Website: www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ

ARIZONA (AZ)

Arizona Naturopathic Physicians Medical
Board
1740 W Adams, Suite 3002
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Phone: 602-542-8242
Email: info@nd.az.gov
Website: www.nd.az.gov

CALIFORNIA (CA)

California Board of Naturopathic Medicine
1625 North Market Blvd., Suite 240
Sacramento, CA 95834
Phone: 916-928-4785
Email: [Contact Form](#)
Website: www.naturopathic.ca.gov

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Vancouver, BC V6C 1S4
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Email: info@cchpbc.ca
Website: www.cchpbc.ca

COLORADO (CO)

Colorado Dept. of Regulatory Agencies (DORA)
Office of Naturopathic Doctor Registration
1560 Broadway, Suite 1350
Denver, CO 80202
Phone: 303-894-7800
Email: dora_dpo_licensing@state.co.us
Website: www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/naturopathy

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (DC)

DC Health
Naturopathic Physician Licensing
2201 Shannon Place SE
Washington, DC 20020
Phone: 202-442-5955
Email: doh@dc.gov
Website: www.dchealth.dc.gov

IDAHO (ID)

Idaho DOPL
Naturopathic Medical Licensing Board
550 W State St.
Boise, ID 83720-0063
Phone: 208-334-3233
Email: HP-Licensing@dopl.idaho.gov
Website: www.dopl.idaho.gov/nmd/

KANSAS (KS)

Kansas Board of Healing Arts
800 SW Jackson, Suite 700
Topeka, KS 66612
Phone: 785-296-7413
Email: KSBHA_Licensing@ks.gov
Website: www.ksbha.ks.gov

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MASSACHUSETTS (MA)

Massachusetts Board of Registration in
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Website: www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-in-naturopathy

MONTANA (MT)

Montana Board of Alternative Health Care
PO Box 200513
Helena, MT 59620-0513
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Website: www.althealth.mt.gov

NEW MEXICO (NM)

New Mexico Medical Board
2055 S Pacheco St., Bldg. 400
Santa Fe, NM 87505
Phone: 505-476-7220
Email: nm.medicalboard@nmmb.nm.gov
Website: www.nmmb.state.nm.us

OREGON (OR)

Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine
800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 407
Portland, OR 97232
Phone: 971-673-0193
Email: Naturopathic.Medicine@obnm.oregon.gov
Website: www.oregon.gov/obnm

MAINE (ME)

Board of Complementary Health Care Providers
Naturopathic Doctors
35 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
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Email: comphealth.lic@maine.gov
Website: www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing

MARYLAND (MD)

Maryland Board of Physicians
4201 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
Phone: 410-764-4777
Email: mbpmail@rcn.com
Website: www.mpb.state.md.us

MINNESOTA (MN)

Board of Medical Practice
Naturopathic Doctor Registration
335 Randolph Avenue, Suite 140
St. Paul, MN 55102
Phone: 612-617-2130
Email: Medical.Board@state.mn.us
Website: www.mn.gov/boards/medical-practice

NEW HAMPSHIRE (NH)

Office of Professional Licensing and Certification
7 Eagle Square
Concord, NH 03301
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Email: customersupport@opl.nh.gov
Website: www.oplc.nh.gov/naturopathic-examiners

NORTH DAKOTA (ND)

ND Board of Medicine
4204 Boulder Ridge Rd., Suite 260
Bismarck, ND 58503-6162
Phone: 701-450-4060
Email: [Contact Form](#)
Website: www.ndbom.org/practitioners/naturopaths/index.asp

PENNSYLVANIA (PA)

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Harrisburg, PA 17105
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VERMONT (VT)

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WISCONSIN (WI)

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DSPS
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Madison, WI 53708-8366
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https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Naturopathic_medicine

RHODE ISLAND (RI)

Rhode Island Department of Health
Naturopathic Physician Licensure
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Providence, RI 02908
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UTAH (UT)

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WASHINGTON (WA)

Washington State Department of Health
Health Systems Quality Assurance
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Website: www.doh.wa.gov

TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

NABNE is committed to providing all examination candidates with an equitable opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge, skills, and abilities in the examination setting. NABNE provides reasonable and appropriate testing accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the US and in accordance with the human rights and accessibility legislation in Canada.

For more information, read the *Testing Accommodations for Disabilities Handbook*, which can be downloaded from the [Handbooks & Forms](#) page of the NABNE website. The *Testing Accommodations for Disabilities Handbook* will provide you with the information you need to request a comfort measure or apply to receive a testing accommodation. Contact NABNE at testingaccommodations@nabne.org to begin the application process.

COMFORT MEASURES (Prometric Preapproved Items)

Comfort measures are not testing accommodations and do not require a finding that you have a qualifying disability as is necessary for testing accommodations.

Please refer to [Prometric's Pre-Approved Items](#) list to see what is allowed into the testing room without prior approval.

- Only Bluetooth-attached medical devices will be permitted in the Prometric testing room. Any external remote-control devices, such as a cell phone, must remain in your locker and silenced during the exam.

A comfort measure approval is required by NABNE if you are medically unable to disable Bluetooth on your cell phone or test without a cell phone. Please contact NABNE at testingaccommodations@nabne.org to obtain a *Comfort Measure Request Form* to apply for approval.¹

- Nursing/breastfeeding applicants may request to bring and use their breast-pumping equipment during the standard break for the NPLEX Part I - Biomedical Science Examination only. Requests are required because NABNE needs to let Prometric know in advance to ensure they have the appropriate space available. For this request to be granted, a letter from your treating professional must be submitted directly to NABNE. You can obtain the *Lactation Space Request Form* by emailing testingaccommodations@nabne.org.

The completed *Comfort Measures Request Form* may be submitted to NABNE by email at testingaccommodations@nabne.org **no later than May 1, 2026, for the July/August 2026 NPLEX administration.**

While NABNE aims to grant requests for comfort measures to individuals who request them, approval is not guaranteed.

¹ A letter will be required if the examinee has an implanted medical device that has external communication capability, but that capability cannot be turned off for the duration of the testing session. **No later than the deadline**, the letter should be emailed directly to NABNE at testingaccommodations@nabne.org by the treating professional on office letterhead and signed by the applicant's fully licensed practicing physician or other qualified professional. The letter should be dated, have the applicant's name, and explain the necessity of the implanted device being connected to external communication during the testing session.

6 STEPS TO REQUEST TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

1. Request paperwork from testingaccommodations@nabne.org.
2. Read the *Testing Accommodations for Disabilities Handbook*.
3. Make an appointment with a qualified professional or contact the professional who last evaluated you and ask them to complete the *NABNE Evaluator's Report Form*. Have the evaluator send the report directly to NABNE **no later than May 1, 2026**.
4. Apply to take the NPLEX.
5. Complete and sign the required applicant forms, then email everything to NABNE **no later than May 1, 2026**.
6. Confirm that NABNE has received all required documentation **no later than May 1, 2026**.

NABNE will initiate a review of testing accommodations requests once a candidate has applied to take the NPLEX and submitted all the completed forms and required documentation. If time allows, NABNE strives to inform applicants where additional information is needed to make a determination. NABNE *strongly encourages* applicants to submit their testing accommodations requests as early in the registration window as possible. Doing so may allow time for NABNE to review the submissions and notify applicants with deficient accommodations requests so that they might submit additional or clarifying information prior to the deadline.

NABNE may not provide the same testing accommodation as your naturopathic medical program.