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Dear schools,

I wanted to convey some information about exams, including a change in the rescheduling policy starting with the July 12, 2021 exams.

Rescheduling exams

Under normal circumstances, individuals can reschedule their exams, but they must notify the board in writing at least 10 days in advance. Otherwise, they have to pay another exam fee. (See [21 NCAC 06N .0101\(c\)](#).) There's an exception in the rule for instances where the individual demonstrates good cause, which is defined as circumstances such as illness, injury, or death in the family. Normally, we would need to receive documentation to grant this exception.

As many of you know, for the past year, we've been allowing individuals to reschedule their exams, even if they call the morning of the exam. We wanted to do this because we didn't want individuals to come to wake up the morning of the exam, have symptoms of covid-19, but still come to the exam because they didn't want to pay to reschedule. However, effective with the July 12 exams, we're returning to the previous practice of requiring at least 10 days' notice without good cause to reschedule. Otherwise, the individual will have to pay again to take the exam. There are a few reasons we're doing this, including the following:

- CDC guidelines have changed; and
- We have had a high rate of cancellations, making it difficult to get through a backlog of exams, even with numerous exam dates scheduled.

The exam notices that individuals receive makes it clear that they must notify us at least 10 days in advance, but I also wanted to let you know in case your school assists students with exam preparation.

Face coverings will still be required

In most cases, individuals must still wear face coverings at the exam, even if they're fully vaccinated. There are a few reasons for doing that, including the fact that the board is a guest at school facilities and must follow the requirements that school has in place. The exam notices tell applicants they must wear a face covering.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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