MEMORANDUM

TO: All Cosmetology and Barber Schools

FROM: Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

RE: NIC Practical Examination Content Changes

DATE: October 30, 2020

The National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) is pleased to announce the following changes to the NIC practical examination administrations:

- **Manicurist – NIC Nail Technology 2021:**
  - Removal of Sculptured Nail (20 minutes)
  - Blood Exposure Procedure (Individually Timed, 5 minutes per candidate)

- **Esthetician - NIC Esthetics 2021:**
  - Work Area Preparation and Set Up of Supplies (First client) (10 minutes)
  - Client Preparation and Basic Facial (25 minutes)
  - Work Area Preparation For New Client and Set Up of Supplies (Second client) (10 minutes)
  - New Client Preparation and Hair Removal of the Eyebrows Using Simulated Soft Wax and Tweezing (5 minute set-up, Untimed procedure)
  - Facial Makeup (20 minutes)
  - Blood Exposure Procedure (10 minutes)

The effective date for these practical exam sections has changed from November 15, 2020 to January 06, 2021. The effective date will ensure that every school has an opportunity to attend an overview. The next available overview is on December 7, 2020 at 10:00 am (CT). If you are interested in joining PSI for that webinar, please email Shawn Conder at sconder@psionline.com

The updated content can be found in the enclosed Candidate Information Bulletins (CIBs). CIBs can also be downloaded from the NIC website at www.nictesting.org by selecting “Prepare for Licensing Exams”.

The CIBs provide detailed information related to each examination. The NIC strongly recommends that the CIBs be reviewed carefully and thoroughly.

Thank you for your cooperation in preparing candidates for the updated NIC examinations.