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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Cosmetology and Barber Schools

FROM: Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

RE: NIC Practical Examination Content Changes

DATE: August 08, 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 2020:**
 - Removal of Sculptured Nail (20 minutes)
 - Blood Exposure Procedure (Individually Timed, 5 minutes per candidate)
- **Esthetician - NIC Esthetics 2020:**
 - **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) (10minutes)
 - **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)

These practical exam section changes will become effective **November 15, 2020**. 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.

The NIC Examination Overview is available on DVD. The Overview contains an informative introduction into NIC testing and procedures, as well as, presentations on Cosmetology, Nail Tech/Manicuring, Esthetics, and Barber Practical examinations. To order a DVD, fill out the form included in this mailing and send it in with the \$30 fee. Mailing instructions are printed on the order form.

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