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## NCLEX Examinations: Update April 27, 2020

As has been reported, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and measures imposed by the federal, state and local governments, NCLEX candidate testing has been interrupted. NCSBN has worked with Pearson VUE to reopen some test centers and allow for testing in critical health care fields to continue to support the high demand due to COVID-19.

Pearson VUE announced they will open the entire Pearson Testing Center network across the U.S. and Canada to all of their testing clients, in addition to nursing candidates, however, Pearson is to prioritize testing for NCLEX candidates. To learn what Centers are open in Ohio, please see <a href="https://home.pearsonvue.com/nclex/essential-services.">https://home.pearsonvue.com/nclex/essential-services.</a> Also, please consult this site frequently as it is continuously updated.

All Centers will enforce social distancing, and due to social distancing guidelines, Centers will be operating at 50% capacity.

NCLEX candidates who are already scheduled after May 1 will not be unscheduled *unless* social distancing guidelines require it. Candidates who are unscheduled will be given priority for rescheduling at Centers under social distancing guidelines. Pearson will work with candidates to reschedule beginning April 28. NCSBN and Pearson are working on solutions for the backlog of candidates looking to schedule during the peak NCLEX testing period (May-August).

You are encouraged to use the NCSBN and Pearson VUE websites to obtain updated information on an ongoing basis. NCSBN has advised, that if there is information on the NCSBN website that differs or conflicts with the FAQs, the following FAQs control: *COVID-19 Impact to NCLEX Candidates FAQs* at https://www.ncsbn.org/14428.htm.

Please direct additional questions to <a href="mailto:nclexinfo@ncsbn.org">nclexinfo@ncsbn.org</a>.