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Office Move



The Board's office will be moving sometime between now and the second week in March. Although we are only moving two doors down from our present location, we will have to shut down all services in order to pack. We will make every attempt to limit the disruption in our work schedule, but unfortunately, because the building is being renovated during the move, there will be several weeks when office staff, files, computers, and telephone coverage will be unavailable. We apologize in advance for any and all inconveniences this will cause.

National Practice Exam

The National Association of Long Term Care Board (NAB) has announced the availability of an on-line practice examination for the national exam. NAB has stated that the multiple-choice questions are similar in form and content to the types of questions seen on an actual NHA licensure exam. Feedback on the candidates' performance on the practice exam will be given as a scaled score on overall performance and a percentage score for each of the five content domains. The fee to register for this practice exam is \$75. For more information or to register, visit NAB's website as www.nabweg.org.

From the Desk of the Chairman Paul E. Joyce, NHA, RHPF

Legislative Update

As promised, your BENHA has continued to carefully monitor all Bills introduced during the 2008 Legislative Session that could possibly compromise the existing licensure program for Maryland Nursing Home Administrators (**Note: Maryland continues to be rated "excellent" and the Maryland Licensure Program third in national standing by the Center for Workforce Studies, School of Public Health, University of Albany.**)

At this time the following Bills have been introduced:

HB 142 Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Renaming and Review of Reports and Commissions (By: Delegate Morhaim)

HB 427 Health Occupations- Power of Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene-Regulatory Boards (By: Delegates Morhaim, Elliott, and Nathan-Pulliam)

HB 1334 Health Regulatory Boards Additional Powers and Duties (By: Delegates Morhaim, Elliott, and Nathan-Pulliam)

HB 1187 Persons Who Operate Nursing Homes-Licensure (By: Delegates McDonough, Beitzel, Benson, Boteler, Costa, Hubbard, Kach, Kipke, Montgomery, Oaks, Riley, V. Turner and Weldon)

For complete Bill status and information please see Maryland General Assembly website: <http://mlis.state.md.us>

Your BENHA will take appropriate action with the above referenced Bills, but we will need your continued help and active participation in making certain legislators, industry representatives, and members of the public receive accurate information. We cannot allow the erosion of the standards and safeguards of the licensure requirements needed to effectively serve the aging population in our state.

If you would like to participate in your BENHA's 2008 Legislative oversight process, please contact Patricia A. Hannigan, Telephone: 410-764-4750, Email: Hannigap@dnhm.state.md.us

100-hour Course for Nursing Home Administrators

Barbara Leasure has announced the On-Campus 100-Hour Course dates for 2008. All classes will be held on Fridays, from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m., and are tentatively scheduled as follows:

March 28

April 4, 18, 25

May 2, 16

June 6, 13, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 1, 8,



For further information, please contact Barbara Leasure at Carroll Lutheran Village, her telephone number is (410) 848-0090. Her email address is: bleasure@clvillage.org.

Additionally, St. Joseph's College of Maine has just advised that their Long-Term Care Administration (LTCA) program was recently reaccredited by the National Association of Boards of Examiners of Long Term Care Administrators. It has been NAB accredited since 1997, and the most recent accreditation runs through 2012. Candidates wishing to pursue the 100-hour course through this on-line program can contact St. Joseph's College of Maine at (800) 752-4723 or www.sjcme.edu/cps.

Also available via correspondence or on-line, is the 100-hour course offered through the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Anyone interested in this course can contact Dr. James Allen at (800) 458-8125, or visit his website at www.ltcedu.com.

Newly Licensed NHA's

The following individuals have been licensed to practice as nursing home administrators in Maryland since the September newsletter:

David C. Burke
Scott Cieri
Marie A. Costa
Joe B. Dawson
Barry J. Eisenberg
Dustin W. Freas
Owen T. Gardner
David S. Gearing



Margaret M. Hubbard
Thomas F. Kase
Walter Kowal
Angela C. Layfield
Amel P. Morris
Danielle L. Rau
Amy Sanfilippo-Steadman
David G. Wendt

Board-Approved Continuing Education Programs

For programs that are approved by the National Association of Long Term Care Administrators, including correspondence and internet programs, please visit their website at: www.nabweb.org.

Please remember that **you** must list on the affidavit of attendance turned in with your license renewal application, the approval number for each program you attend. This will ensure that you are aware that the program has been approved either by the Maryland Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the National Association of Long Term Care Administrators, or another state's Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators. This Board **cannot** accept programs that were issued approval numbers by any other organization. Many administrators are finding themselves in a bind because they thought they had sufficient hours, but the programs submitted did not meet the above requirement.

Maryland Board Approved Programs

2/21/08, 3/27/08, 4/17/08, 5/29/08, 6/19/08, 9/18/08, 10/23/08 or 11/13/08

"Alzheimer's and Dementia Care"

Asbury Methodist Village, Gaithersburg, MD

Sponsored by: Asbury Methodist Village

Contact: Cindy Brown, (301) 987-6456 or

cbrown@asbury.org

Folder #3038, 7 Hours

February 28, 2008

"Pandemic Influenza Update"

Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3048, 5½ Hours

February 29, 2008

"Leap into Wound Care (Annual Symposium)"

Rocky Gap Lodge and Conference Ctr., Cumberland, MD

Sponsored by: Western Maryland Health System

Contact: Jean M. Seifarth, (301) 723-1437

Folder #3062, 6½ Hours

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Board Approved Continuing Education

February 29, 2008

"Nursing Home Administrator's Guide to Dealing with Difficult People"

Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD

Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services

Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-8094

Folder #2063, 6½ Hours

March 7, 2008

"Nursing Home Administrator's Guide to Beating Burnout"

Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD

Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services

Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-8094

Folder #2064, 6½ Hours

March 11, 2008

"Ethics and the Law"

Stella Maris Auditorium, Timonium, MD

Sponsored by: Stella Maris

Contact: Rose Kendig, (410) 252-4500, ext. 7205

Folder #3066, 3 Hours

March 14, 2008

"GRN 114 Communicating with Older Adults"

Frederick Community College

Sponsored by: Frederick Community College

Contact: Suzan M. Adams, (301) 624-2732

Folder #3067, 5½ Hours

March 27 - 28, 2008

"Gateway to Hope and Healing"

Conference Ctr. @ Maritime Institute, Linthicum Heights, MD

Sponsored by: The Brain Injury Association of Maryland

Contact: Suzanne Kantt, (410) 448-2924

Folder #3070, 7 Hours Each Day

March 28, 2008

"Best Practices in Nursing Home Administration"

Hampton Inn, Annapolis, MD

Sponsored by: Miriam Kimball Training Services

Contact: Miriam Kimball, (301) 934-8094

Folder #2065, 7 Hours

April 9, 2008

"Obsessions and Reflections: Understanding & Treating OCS and Body Dismorphic Disorder"

Martinsburg VA Affairs Medical Ctr., Martinsburg, WV

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3049, 5½ Hours

April 10, 2008

"Understanding & Treating Anxiety Disorders: An Overview"

Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3050, 5½ Hours

April 14, 2008

"Psychological Skills Training: Positive Psychology for Mental Health Professionals"

Baltimore Veterans Affairs Medical Ctr., Baltimore, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3051, 5½ Hours

April 14, 2008

"Co-dependency and the Health Care/Helping Professional"

Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3052, 5½ Hours

April 16, 2008

"Autonomy vs. Paternalism: Ethical Issues in Eating, Feeding, and End of Life"

Stella Maris Auditorium, Timonium, MD

Sponsored by: Stella Maris

Contact: Rose Kendig, (410) 252-4500, ext. 7205

Folder #3068, 3 Hours

April 23, 2008

"Time Management and Personal Success"

Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3053, 5½ Hours

April 24, 2008

"Is This Normal? Normal Aging vs. Signs of Dementia"

Eastern Shore Medical Ctr.-English Hall, Cambridge, MD

Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program

Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195

Folder #3054, 5½ Hours

April 25, 2008

"Depression in the Aging Population"

Hagerstown Community College Campus

Sponsored by: Hagerstown Community College

Contact: Deborah M. Staley, (301) 790-2800, ext. 454

Folder #3069, 6 Hours

Board Approved Continuing Education

April 29, 2008

"Challenge to Change: Managing Incontinence in LTC"
Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3055, 5½ Hours

May 1, 2008

"Power Day: The Power of Focus, Power Based
Teaming and Productivity, and Power Performance"
Robinwood Medical Ctr., Hagerstown, MD
Sponsored by: Hagerstown Community College
Contact: Angela Stoops, (301) 790-2800, ext. 397
Folder #3041, 6 Hours

May 6, 2008

"Comprehensive Management of Orthopedic and
Rheumatologic Disorders: Myofascial Syndrome,
Arthritis, Fibromyalgia, Rsd (CRPS), Oncology"
Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3056, 5½ Hours

May 14, 2008

"Ethical Dilemmas in Palliative Care & End of Life Care"
Martinsburg Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Martinsburg, WV
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3057, 5½ Hours

May 20, 2008

"The Assessment and Treatment of OIF/OEF Veterans
with Comorbid Traumatic Brain Injury and Mental Health
Difficulties"
Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3058, 5½ Hours

May 21, 2008

"Understanding and Working with Self-Injuring Clients"
Eastern Shore Hospital Ctr.-English Hall, Cambridge, MD
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3059, 5½ Hours

June 3, 2008

"Effectively Handling Sexuality and Sexual Behaviors in
Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities, and Adult Care
Centers"
Perry Point Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Perry Point, MD
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3060, 5½ Hours

June 10, 2008

"How to Deal with Difficult People"
Martinsburg VA Affairs Medical Ctr., Martinsburg, WV
Sponsored by: Chesapeake Health Education Program
Contact: Gail Pfouts, (410) 642-1195
Folder #3061, 5½ Hours

June 13, 2008

"Providing a Positive Environment for Persons with
Dementia"
Hagerstown Community College, Hagerstown, MD
Sponsored by: Hagerstown Community College
Contact: Deborah M. Staley, (301) 790-2800, ext. 454
Folder #3047, 6 Hours

Correspondence Program - Open and Continuous
"Preceptor Certification Program"
Sponsored by American Solutions for Business
(Previously Professional Printing and Publishing)
Contact: Judy Moore, (318) 795-2331, or
Judy.morre@bnbsystems.net
Folder #3001 - 6½ Hours

The Following Correspondence Courses, Sponsored by:
Institute for Natural Resources

Have been approved for three hours each:

"Stroke"	"Heartburn and Ulcers"
"Reducing Stress"	"Knee Pain"
"Under the Influence"	"Addiction"
"Fast food Traps"	"Lung Savor"
"Domestic Violence"	"Low Back Pain"
"Smart Drugs?"	"Dyslexia in Adults"
"ADHD in Adults"	"Splitting the Brain"
"Learning Disabilities Other Than Dyslexia"	
"ADHD" Latest Diagnostic Guidelines"	
"Alternative and Behavioral Treatments of ADHD"	
"Pharmacological Interventions for Children w/ADHD"	

For more information, and to register, contact Carli
O'Sullivan, (925) 609-2820, ext. 247

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