



**State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board**

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To: All Persons Interested in Professional Counselor Examinations

RE: Examination Changes

The Counselor Professional Standards Committee voted on January 20, 2006 to modify the examination process as follows.

- Effective March 1, 2006 individuals applying for the LPC license will be required to take the NCE licensure examination through NBCC. Effective immediately all persons currently scheduled for the PCLE will have the option to take the PCLE or the NCE.
- Effective March 1, 2006 any individual applying for the LPCC will be required to take the NCMHCE. Only licensed PCs will be eligible to take the NCMHCE and will need to apply for approval. All PCs licensed through passage of the single tier Ohio PCLE examinations will be grandparented from this requirement.
- Anyone who failed the PCLE will be required to pass the NCE to be eligible for licensure. The 90 day waiting period to take the next examination still applies.
- Anyone required to complete a remediation plan will still need to do so. If you are on a remediation plan and wish to modify your plan please submit your request in writing to the board. All remediation plans and or changes must be approved in advance.

Should you have any questions please call Rena Elliott or Simeon Frazier at 614-466-6462.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director