

**WAC 246-836-030 Licensure examinations accepted by the board.**

(1) Applicants for licensure as a naturopathic physician must pass the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examination (NPLEX) administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners (NABNE). The NPLEX licensure examination consists of the following components and tests:

- (a) The integrated NPLEX Part I biomedical science examination, first administered in August 2009;
- (b) The integrated NPLEX Part II clinical science examination, first administered in August 2007; and
- (c) The NPLEX Part II clinical elective add-on minor surgery examination.

(2) The acceptable scores for the integrated examinations identified in subsection (1) of this section are those passing scores reported by NABNE.

(3) For NPLEX examinations administered prior to the integrated examinations identified in subsection (1) of this section, the board accepts a minimum passing score of seventy-five for each component and test in:

- (a) NPLEX Part I;
- (b) NPLEX Part II;
- (c) NPLEX clinical elective add-on minor surgery examination; and
- (d) NPLEX clinical elective add-on homeopathy examination.

(4) The board will consider passing scores under the compensatory model as reported by NABNE on a case-by-case basis. The minimum passing score for each component and test in the examination is seventy-five.

(5) Appeals of NPLEX failing scores must be made directly to NABNE.

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