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**Subject: NIC Practical Examination Content Changes**

To Whom It May Concern,

The National-Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) is pleased to announce the following changes to the NIC practical examination administrations:

- **Blood Exposure Sections:**

These sections will be timed as 10 minutes for the following disciplines:

- Cosmetology
- Esthetics
- Nail Technology

- **Predisposition and Strand Sections Administrations:**

The National Exam Committee (NEC) has voted to change the timing for the Predisposition and Strand Sections. These sections will be timed as 10 minutes for the following disciplines:

- Cosmetology

These practical exam section changes will become effective January 1, 2017. 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](http://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.

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

Sincerely,

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