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## Board Review Course

Day One 8: 00 Registration  
 8: 30 Introduction to the Board Review course and how the course will operate  
 8: 45 Errors and Omissions -- tests on checking filled prescriptions (break follows)  
 10: 15 Federal Drug Law Review  
 12: 00 Lunch  
 1: 00 Georgia State Pharmacy Law Review ( break follows)  
 2: 45 Compounding for the NABPLEX and state exams ( 5: 00 adjourn)

Day Two 8: 00 Registration  
 8: 30 Pharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics Review ( with break)  
 12: 00 Lunch  
 1: 00 Operation of the NABPLEX on examination day  
 1: 30 Review of Sample Test ( with break and 5: 00 adjourn)

Day Three 8: 00 Registration  
 8: 30 Review of Sample Test ( with break)  
 12: 00 Lunch  
 1: 00 Review of Sample Test ( with break and 5: 00 adjourn)

Much of the information in the Errors and Omissions Test review can also be useful for NABPLEX.

Federal Pharmacy Law is covered by an Review Course instructor. Georgia State Pharmacy Law review is done by Board Members and Drug Inspectors. Emphasis is on controlled substances.

The Compounding Review covers problems that occur on NABPLEX and may also be given as a

state " wet" laboratory examination.

The Pharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics Review concentrates on reading graphs and doing the mathematics of pharmacokinetics without calculators. ( No calculators allowed during NABPLEX.)

The Sample Tests are collections of some 350- 400 questions. Participants will be expected to complete the tests on their own in the evenings. The format of reviewing these tests is teaching

and is not limited to reading out the right answers. See the example below.

1. A nurse calls saying that she cannot find the Acetaminophen Tablets, 500 mg ordered for

a patient. You tell her the tablets are in the unit- dose cart under the trade name of

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| A. Tylenol Tablets    | D. Panadol Tablets  |
| B. Excedrin Tablets   | E. Tolectin Tablets |
| C. Percogesic Tablets |                     |

The correct answer is D, Panadol Tablets. The basic tablet strength of Panadol Tablets is 500 mg.

Choice A, Tylenol Tablets ( 325 mg) would be correct if Tylenol- ES ( 500 mg) had been listed.

None of the other choices are pure acetaminophen. Choice B, Excedrin is a combination of aspirin

( 250 mg), acetaminophen ( 250 mg) and caffeine ( 65 mg). Other products of Excedrin ( eg,

Excedrin- PM) contain only acetaminophen ( usually 500 mg) as the analgesic.

Choice C, Percogesic is an OTC combination of acetaminophen ( 325 mg) and phenyltoloxamine ( 30 mg).

Choice E, Tolectin contains no acetaminophen; it is tolmetin, an oral nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug.

## Board Review Interest Survey

School or College  
 of Pharmacy  
 Number of Students

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Likely to Attend  
Can you suggest a preferred

\_\_\_\_\_ site

\_\_\_\_\_ in

\_\_\_\_\_ northern Virginia?

If the program is carried out, we will need to mail registration forms for distribution to students. The person or organization handling the forms at your school will receive a fee of \$ 100.00. Sufficient interest on the part of students is required.

To whom should these registration sheets be mailed?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ City,

\_\_\_\_\_ State,

\_\_\_\_\_ zip

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone

\_\_\_\_\_ FAX

The registration fee, per participant, for the three day review will be \$ 40.00 per day - or- \$ 100.00 for all 3 days. This will include all passouts and review materials of some 200 pages.

Lodging and meals are at the expense of the participants.

Please return this form in the envelope provided. Thank you for your time and attention on our behalf.

August 22, 1994

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Dear Ms. Smith:

As requested by Ms. Shawnya Graves ( Soc Sec No. 427- 53- 1320) I have enclosed a one page outline of the schedule of our Pharmacy Board Review course. This course is offered prior to examinations in January, June and September and is open to anyone. Both the Georgia and Alabama Boards of Pharmacy have used this course to meet requirements for re- examinations of certain individuals. Some 400 people take the course each year, including virtually everyone who takes the exam in Georgia. The Georgia Board of Pharmacy is fully aware of the offering of this review course. It has also been done in Alabama and South Carolina and our overall pass rate is well above 95 percent.

Additionally, I have offered students with particular difficulties in passing the exam several days of one- on- one review for the boards. My batting average in that case is 100%. I will give a student from the University of Illinois the same attention I would to one from the University of Georgia.

Our review course covers several different areas. We begin with what are commonly referred to as Errors and Omissions Tests in which candidates check filled prescriptions for correctness. Most of the information covered on this section is applicable to NABPLEX review. Federal law is covered with emphasis on controlled substance regulations and the mailing of prescriptions. I suggest that everyone listen to the State law review because what is important to Board members in Georgia is also important to

Board members in other states. This indicates things one should learn about every state's particular laws and regulations.

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Our Pharmacokinetics and Pharmaceutics review emphasis doing the math of the examinations without using calculators and talks about how to interpret graphical information. The basics of drug and dosage form preparation and administration are also covered.

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The main emphasis of the course is 1.5 days ( 12 - 13 clock hours) of reviewing test questions in a teaching format. These questions have been created to enable us to cover literally every subject in pharmacy either directly, through a question, or indirectly, through a wrong answer. In some cases, a mini lecture on a subject area is provided when reviewing a question. The attached sheet gives an example of how we review a particular question.

I believe this review course can improve performance on the NABPLEX and state examinations. It is, of course, less effective than actually returning to school. If Ms.

Graves will give me the time, I can adequately prepare her to pass the NABPLEX examination. Ms. Graves' home phone number is ( 601) 624- 8839 in the event you need to contact her directly. I can provide you with a letter or registration form to document

and certify her attendance at the review course.

Do not hesitate to contact me at the address and numbers listed below if you need any

other information.

Yours,

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