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To All Texas Nurse Aide Instructors:

I am sending you this note to inform you of upcoming changes in the Nurse Aide examination process in Texas.

Although the NNAAP® exam is not electronic, the registration and scheduling of the exam will be. Pearson VUE and DADS are excited to announce that effective July 8, 2015, all Texas nurse aide candidates eligible to test will be able to register online and schedule their own exam(s).

Online Application Registration and Scheduling will:

- Eliminate the transit time associated with mailing a paper application to NACES
- Decrease the time it takes to get scheduled for an examination
- Avoid delays in scheduling due to illegible or incomplete applications, i.e. deficiencies
- Support efforts to reduce paper (go Green) & take advantage of technology

You will be receiving additional information which will include posters to display at your facility in the next couple of months. Prior to that, you can alert your students to the upcoming new process that will be taking place. **With the new system training programs will be required to log into the system to validate student training completion so look for upcoming mandatory workshop information in the coming months.**

As with all changes, there may be some concern, but the advantages far out-weigh any perceived disadvantages. All students will need the following two (2) things before accessing the new system:

1. A valid email address. If they don’t have one now, it can be obtained free of charge from various sources such as Gmail, Yahoo, msn, etc.
2. A credit card. This can be a pre-paid card or other single use card. It will be used to pay for their NNAAP® exam(s). In lieu of a credit card, they may use an electronic voucher if they are purchased by your training program.

Please share this information with your students so they have time to get what is needed. We have seen demos of various aspects of the new system and I am happy to say it is user-friendly. You will receive more information in the months to come.

Thank you.

As always, feel free to contact me at Melody.Suchowicki@pearson.com with any questions or concerns.