

COVID-19 RESPONSE

For more than a century, NASBA has dedicated itself to enhancing the effectiveness of the Boards of Accountancy by sharing regulatory updates, changes in legislation and news impacting the accounting profession. With the impact of COVID-19, the importance of information became crucial and NASBA ramped up its communications to keep state board executive directors, state board members, licensees and CPA Exam candidates informed. During the COVID-19 crisis, NASBA saw a deeper dependency on online communications and broadened its communications strategy to respond to this growing need. NASBA remains committed to delivering relevant information and breaking news through various online channels with greater frequency and continued transparency. Below, is a snapshot of NASBA's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



ED AND LEGAL CONFERENCES

NASBA cancels travel to the 2020 Executive Director and Society CEO Conference and the Legal Counsel Conference and transitions conferences to a virtual format.



RECOMMENDATIONS

NASBA recommends to Boards of Accountancy that have CPE reporting years ending on or before October 31, 2020, to consider offering a grace period for those licensees to meet their CPE requirements until October 31, 2020.



EMERGENCY TESTING

In anticipation of the reopening of Prometric test centers and in response to COVID-19, NASBA, AICPA and Prometric decided to invoke an emergency testing period in June 2020.



TEST CENTERS

Prometric reopens 116 test centers globally and expects an additional 200+ sites to resume testing across the U.S. and internationally through the end of May 2020.



NTS EXTENSION

NASBA, working with the Boards of Accountancy, compiles the latest information on Notice to Schedule (NTS) extensions for each jurisdiction on [nasba.org](https://www.nasba.org).



LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

NASBA Center for the Public Trust holds a virtual leadership conference for students, entitled "Lead with Integrity," June 23-25.



INTERNATIONAL EXAM

To support Exam candidates on their pathway to CPA licensure, and to prioritize their health and safety, NASBA will now temporarily administer the CPA Exam in the Republic of Korea and allow other countries in Asia to test in the Republic of Korea, as well as Japan.

COMMUNICATIONS

NASBA sends communication regarding Prometric Test Center closures and plan to recommence opening of the test centers.



RESOURCES

NASBA provides Boards of Accountancy with legal resources during the pandemic, which include relevant executive orders, emergency rules and policies, and examples of many new and necessary regulatory responses.



FAQs

NASBA provides CPA Exam candidates with a comprehensive list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about test centers, email communications and Prometric resources.



CREDIT EXTENSIONS

An evergreen chart is developed for candidates addressing CPA Exam credit extensions by jurisdiction and included on [nasba.org](https://www.nasba.org).



REGIONAL MEETINGS

To ensure the safety of its membership, NASBA's Eastern and Western Regional Meetings are held via Zoom.



REGISTRY eSummit

NASBA's National Registry of CPE Sponsors holds first virtual eSummit on September 22.



ANNUAL MEETING

The 113th NASBA Annual Meeting is moved to a virtual platform due to the pandemic.

