## Hemodialysis Technician Training Programs FAQs

#### I am a CHT in another state. Can I work in as a CHT in NM?

- Only if you have a certificate from the NM BON.
- You need to complete the required application form and pay the fee.
- Provide proof of national certification for hemodialysis technician or take the board CHT exam.

## I completed my CHT education training. Can I practice anywhere in NM?

• Yes. You can practice at any hemodialysis location anywhere in NM.

## I have am nationally certified as a CHT. Do I need to retake the NM BON CHT exam?

- No. You need to complete the application form and pay the fee.
- You will need to provide a copy of high school graduate or the general education development course or proof of higher education
- You will need to provide a copy of your current national certification as a hemodialysis technician

#### Do CHT require direct supervision after receiving a CHT license?

- Yes. Direct supervision refers to supervision by a licensed nurse who is physically present, and readily accessible to the
  certified hemodialysis technician and hemodialysis technician student when providing patient care. Direct supervision
  includes observing, evaluating and directing the care being provided.
- A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse shall provide direct supervision of the certified hemodialysis technician who is providing care for the patient undergoing hemodialysis.

## How will I know that my application to take the CHT exam has been processed?

- Upon receiving the application fee, the board staff will notify the applicant of the next available test date.
- An admission letter which includes the time, date and place of examination, shall be issued to all eligible applicants.

#### What supporting documents are required to complete the exam application process?

• Written verification of successful completion according to the minimum standards for approval of hemodialysis technician programs indicating the date of completion must be received, directly from the hemodialysis technician program, and signed by the nurse educator in the board office at least 30 days prior to the examination date.

#### How long does it take to get my CHT exam results?

Results of the examination shall be reported by mail or on the board website to the applicants no later than four weeks
following the examination date.

# When can I apply for New Mexico State certification?

- If taking the NM exam, you can apply after successfully completing a board approved training program, but you must within six months of completing the program.
- If seeking a certificate from NM based on your national certification, you can apply anytime while your national
  certificate is valid.

## Where can I find the approval status for any CHT training programs?

• All board approved CHT programs can be found in the annual report on our website: Click MENU> about> annual governor's report.

## Where can I find the new CHT rule changes?

• Go to New Mexico Board of Nursing website: Click on MENU >Laws and Rules> Rules and Regulations>Part\_04\_Hemodialysis\_Technicians\_1.pdf