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Memorandum

To: Candidates for Hearing Aid Specialist Written Examination

From: Gwen C. Thompson, Chief
Bureau of Health Facilities Licensing

Subject: Examination to Establish Eligibility for Hearing Aid Licensure

The Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) has partnered with the International Hearing Society (IHS) to provide the written examination necessary to become a licensed hearing aid specialist in South Carolina. After passing the written exam, an applicant must pass a practical exam to be licensed as a hearing aid specialist.

DHEC, with IHS, offers an online testing procedure. It is our hope that the online testing process will make taking the written exam more convenient for test takers.

Kryterion Testing Network has five testing locations in South Carolina (Greenville (2), Conway, Irmo {Columbia area}, and North Charleston). This gives test takers more options as to when and where they may take the written exam. Additional details about these locations may be obtained at www.kryteriononline.com.

To take the online exam:

1. Submit the Application for Examination to be Eligible for Licensure as a Hearing Aid Specialist in South Carolina to: DHEC / Bureau of Health Facilities Licensing, 2600 Bull St, Columbia, SC 29201. The application can be downloaded at <http://www.scdhec.gov/Library/D-0220.pdf>.
2. A \$50.00 fee (made payable to DHEC) must accompany your application. Credit cards, checks and money orders are accepted.

When your application package has been approved by DHEC, IHS will be notified that you are an eligible candidate. IHS will send you an introductory email message to enable you to create an account and schedule an examination. The current study guide is provided by IHS.

If you have questions, you may contact Marcus Jackson at 803-545-0244.

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