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## **PTCB Announces Changes to Enhance the Recertification and Reinstatement Programs**

The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board announces changes to its Recertification and Reinstatement Programs for 2007. These changes have been put in place to improve the overall efficiency of the program, which will in turn allow PTCB to better serve its CPhTs.

Since PTCB's inception in 1995 the organization has offered a three month grace period to recertify the Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) credential. Beginning with the March 31, 2007 recertification period PTCB will no longer offer a late recertification program. The elimination of the late recertification period will simplify procedures for CPhTs and lower the number of returned recertification applications received by PTCB. Candidates will continue to have the opportunity to reinstate up to one year after their recertification deadline. The reinstatement policy allows CPhTs to maintain their CPhT designation without retaking the Pharmacy Technician Certification Examination (PTCE).

In addition to these policy changes, PTCB has also made changes to the recertification and reinstatement fees. Beginning with the March 2007 recertification period, the cost of online recertification applications will be \$40, and the cost of a paper recertification application will remain at \$50. The reinstatement fee has been reduced from \$115 to \$80.

For more information regarding these changes, please contact PTCB at (800) 363-8012.