

## 2022 Communication Log for the Board of Pharmacy Specialties

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**From:** Ellis, William <WELLIS@APHANET.ORG>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 29, 2022 4:12 PM  
**To:** Fisher, Jennifer <Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov>  
**Cc:** Valentin-Rodriguez, Celimar <Celimar.Valentin-Rodriguez@nrc.gov>; Ayoade, Maryann <maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov>; Bullard, Avis <abullard@aphanet.org>  
**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: NRC Evaluation of Specialty Boards - BPS

Received, thank you!

**From:** Fisher, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Friday, July 29, 2022 11:32 AM  
**To:** Ellis, William <WELLIS@APHANET.ORG>  
**Cc:** Valentin-Rodriguez, Celimar <Celimar.Valentin-Rodriguez@nrc.gov>; Ayoade, Maryann <maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov>; Bullard, Avis <abullard@aphanet.org>  
**Subject:** NRC Evaluation of Specialty Boards - BPS

Dear William,

Thank you for participating in the NRC specialty board review. The following are attached for your review:

[ML22125A247 Evaluation of NRC Recognized Specialty Boards](#)

ML22139A327 Completion of the Review for Continued Recognition by the NRC - BPS

Please let us know if you have any questions.

With Kinds Regards,

Jenny Fisher  
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Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

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**From:** Fisher, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2022 3:10 PM  
**To:** Ellis, William <[WELLis@APHANET.ORG](mailto:WELLis@APHANET.ORG)>  
**Subject:** RE: 2018 Nuclear Certificate

Thank you Bill. I appreciate it.

**From:** Ellis, William <[WELLis@APHANET.ORG](mailto:WELLis@APHANET.ORG)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2022 2:54 PM  
**To:** Fisher, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** [External\_Sender] 2018 Nuclear Certificate



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**PHONE CALL DOCUMENTATION.** On March 31, 2022, Jenny Fisher and Bill Ellis spoke on the phone. Jenny explained how the NRC maintains certificates on the website. Bill confirmed that BPS had a small certificate change in 2018 as they changed vendors. Again in 2020, BPS had another small certificate change as the IAS accreditation logo was added to the certificate. Jenny confirmed that the certificate provided to the NRC on March 17th was the 2020 certificate. Bill confirmed that he would provide the 2018 certificate via e-mail. Jenny and Bill confirmed that the NRC could use January 1st to note the change in 2018 and 2020.

**From:** Ellis, William <[WELLis@APHANET.ORG](mailto:WELLis@APHANET.ORG)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 24, 2022 3:40 PM  
**To:** Fisher, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: RE: BPS - Letter from the U.S. NRC

The accreditation change followed BPS actually receiving accreditation. 2018 is when we change certificate vendors

**From:** Fisher, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 24, 2022 3:36 PM  
**To:** Ellis, William <[WELLis@APHANET.ORG](mailto:WELLis@APHANET.ORG)>

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**Cc:** Ayoade, Maryann <maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov>; Bullard, Avis <abullard@aphanet.org>  
**Subject:** RE: RE: BPS - Letter from the U.S. NRC

Thanks Bill. The effective date on the accreditation is November 24, 2020. I see that one of the changes on your new certificate is the addition of the accreditation icons. Is 2018 the effective date for the certificate or did it follow the accreditation date?

We keep old certificates on the NRC website with the effective date ranges to ensure that past certificates are recognized as valid.

Jenny

**From:** Ellis, William <WELLIS@APHANET.ORG>  
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**To:** Fisher, Jennifer <Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov>  
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Here are the links in the letter

- 1) Confirm the specialty board's current name
  - a. Board of Pharmacy Specialties: <https://www.bpsweb.org/>
- 2) Confirm the name of the specialty certification(s) or certificates
  - a. BPS Board Certified Nuclear Pharmacist (BCNP) <https://www.bpsweb.org/bps-specialties/nuclear-pharmacy/>
- 3) Confirm that the specialty board still satisfies the board recognition criteria in 10 CFR 35.55, "Training for an authorized nuclear pharmacist."
  - a. [Eligibility Requirements](https://www.bpsweb.org/bps-specialties/nuclear-pharmacy/#1517746745397-c50604ba-9a3115178482693401517851281395for) ( <https://www.bpsweb.org/bps-specialties/nuclear-pharmacy/#1517746745397-c50604ba-9a3115178482693401517851281395for> )  
a board-certified nuclear pharmacist can be found on the BPS website
  - b. A publicly available [brochure](http://books.bpsweb.org/books/yrfw/#p=1) ( <http://books.bpsweb.org/books/yrfw/#p=1> )  
provides a detailed description of the nuclear pharmacy eligibility requirements and certification process.
- 4) Confirm that there have been no changes in the board's certification procedures that could affect the recognition status.

**Effective January 1, 2019:** *All applicants intending to demonstrate eligibility for any BPS certification examination utilizing the practice experience pathway must provide an attestation from their employer, on company letterhead, that verifies this experience accurately represents 50% of time spent in some or all of the activities defined by the applicable certification content outline. In addition, this practice experience must have occurred within the seven years immediately preceding the application. For more information, click [here](#). A sample employer verification letter is available here: [Sample](https://www.bpsweb.org/wp-content/uploads/BPS-4000-Hour-Verification-Letter-Example.pdf) ( <https://www.bpsweb.org/wp-content/uploads/BPS-4000-Hour-Verification-Letter-Example.pdf> ). **This change does not affect the affect the recognition of the board's certification***

We believe the date of the revised certificate to be 2018. I know one change was related to BPS accreditation under the ISO 17024 standard. I have attached our ISO 17024 certificate.

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There were no other attachments that as everything was appended to the letter and that appendix was the certificate.

I am assuming images that were removed were in the signature block.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Best Regards,

Bill

ENCLOSURE:



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**From:** Fisher, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov)>  
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Dear William,

Thank you for submitting your letter and the new certificate. Could you provide a date in which the certificate became effective? At what point did the board transition from the old certificate to the new certificate?

I am unable to open the hyperlinks that you had imbedded into your letter. Would you be able to e-mail me those web addresses?

Did you have any attachments to your email beside the letter (PDF)? I received a note from the NRC Computer Security department telling me that they had removed images. Were they important attachments or perhaps they were just imbedded in your signature block?

Thanks so much,

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ATTACHMENT - [ML22081A300](#)

**From:** Fisher, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 9:26 PM  
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**Cc:** Ayoade, Maryann <[maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov](mailto:maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov)>  
**Subject:** BPS - Letter from the U.S. NRC

Dear William,  
Please see the attached letter and enclosure.  
Thanks.

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