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Dear Certificant:

On February 18, 2014, the American Board of Forensic Toxicology (ABFT) and the Forensic Toxicologist Certification Board (FTCB) merged into a single organization. The name of the American Board of Forensic Toxicology will be retained. All Certificants of the FTCB are now certified by the ABFT.

The leadership of the ABFT was expanded by the addition of six directors to include the former President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the FTCB.

As a result of the merger, the ABFT now recognizes all Certificants according to the following designations:

- ABFT and FTCB Forensic Toxicology Diplomates are now certified as Fellows in Forensic Toxicology of the ABFT and should use the following designation: F-ABFT.
- ABFT Forensic Toxicology Specialists are now certified as Diplomates of the ABFT in Forensic Toxicology and should use the following designation: D-ABFT-FT.
- FTCB Forensic Alcohol Toxicology Diplomates are now certified as Diplomates of the ABFT in Forensic Alcohol Toxicology and should use the following designation: D-ABFT-FA.
- FTCB Forensic Drug Toxicology Diplomates are now certified as Diplomates of the ABFT in Forensic Drug Toxicology and should use the following designation: D-ABFT-FD.

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All Certificants will receive a new certificate reflecting the changes in designation by December 31, 2014. Certificate numbers and expiration dates will change as a result of the merger.

All current FTCB business including examination of previously qualified applicants and requalification of FTCB Certificants will continue until December 31, 2014. In addition, all former FTCB Certificants will be subject to the ABFT Continuing Education requirements effective 2015.

If you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail us at the addresses indicated below.

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