Effective immediately, please be advised of the following change to past practice and note that if a licensee has already had a Criminal Background Check (CBC) and fingerprints pursuant to MCL 333.16174(3) the licensee would not need to obtain another CBC, fingerprints again for licensure of a different health profession that we regulate. For example, if a person submitted to the department fingerprints to obtain a temporary or limited license and then decided to obtain full licensure the licensee would not need to be re-fingerprinted if he/she already had fingerprints previously.

In addition, applicants are required to mark the box on the application and renewal form if they have a felony. Please note this procedural change and below is the language in the Public Health Code where this decision is based:

MCL 333.16174(3)

(3) Beginning October 1, 2008, an applicant for initial licensure or registration shall submit his or her fingerprints to the department of state police to have a <u>criminal</u> history check conducted and request that the department of state police forward his or her fingerprints to the federal bureau of investigation for a national <u>criminal</u> history check.