

## Press Release

The Institute of Health & Healing massage therapy graduates surpass the national and state averages to make the grade.

**The National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork recognizes the Institute of Health & Healing with their School Report showing their excellence in education standards.**

Newport News, VA, September 30, 2011: The National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB) has released its recent report of First-Time Testers School Average for each school accredited by the NCBTMB. The Institute of Health & Healing located in Oyster Point Newport News, offers a massage therapy program in which the students prepare to take the national certification examination to become a Certified Massage Therapist. The school pass rate during the reporting period of 1/1/2011 – 7/1/2011 for the Institute of Health & Healing is 100% of those first-time testers taking the national certification examination for massage therapy.

The national average pass rate for the NCBTMB massage therapy examination is 69.33% of first-time testers. The Virginia state average pass rate is 55.80% of first-time testers. But students who attended and completed the course work for Massage Therapy at the Institute of Health & Healing in Newport News have an average of 100% of first-time testers. This average speaks for itself in the dedication of the administration and instructors to provide the highest possible positive learning environment in the area.

The Virginia State Board of Nursing recognizes the NCBTMB massage therapy national certification examination and oversees and certifies massage therapy graduates once they have taken and passed the national certification examination.

The Institute of Health & Healing is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia and is a licensed school by the Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology. The Institute is proud to offer many certification programs including Massage Therapy, Esthetics, Master Esthetics, Waxing, Nails, Cosmetology, Yoga Teacher Training, Spa Manager, Spa Professional, Master Spa Professional and Master Educator. New classes start throughout the entire year due to our rolling enrollment.

The Institute's Spa Clinic offers students the ability to practice their craft on the public for massages, facials, waxing, nail and hair services at very reasonable prices. The students, graduate students, certifieds and professionals are available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Institute is located at 11847 Canon Blvd., Suite 8, Newport News and can be reached by calling 595-7757 for the campus and 873-3900 for the Spa Clinic appointments. We are also on the web at [www.ihhinfo.com](http://www.ihhinfo.com).