

End of Curriculum™ Exam Blueprint

PROPOSED ENTRUSTABLE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES		Gather essential and accurate information about patients through history-taking, physical examination, and the use of laboratory data, imaging, and other methods			Develop and implement patient management plans		Provide preventive health care services and education	Locate, critically evaluate, integrate, & appropriately apply scientific evidence to patient care	
End of Curriculum 250-Question Exam		History & Physical	Diagnostic Studies	Diagnosis	Clinical Intervention	Clinical Therapeutics	Health Maintenance	Scientific Concepts	Totals
		(18%)	(10%)	(22%)	(12%)	(18%)	(10%)	(10%)	(100%)
Cardiology	(16%)	7	4	9	5	7	4	4	40
Pulmonology	(12%)	5	3	7	4	5	3	3	30
Gastrointestinal/nutritional	(10%)	5	3	6	3	4	2	2	25
Orthopedics/rheumatology	(10%)	5	3	6	3	4	2	2	25
Head, ears, eyes, nose, oral cavity, and throat (HEENOT)	(8%)	4	2	4	2	4	2	2	20
Obstetrics/gynecology	(8%)	4	2	4	2	4	2	2	20
Endocrinology	(6%)	3	2	3	2	3	1	1	15
Neurology	(6%)	3	2	3	2	3	1	1	15
Psychiatry/behavioral medicine	(6%)	3	2	3	2	3	1	1	15
Urology/renal	(6%)	3	2	3	2	3	1	1	15
Dermatology	(4%)	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	10
Hematology	(4%)	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	10
Infectious diseases	(4%)	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	10
Totals:	(100%)	48	28	54	30	46	22	22	250

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The End of Curriculum Exam is developed with key dimensions to ensure the exam is inclusive of the types of cases PAs may see. The tables below represent targets set for the entire exam, across the content and task areas. These dimensions are:

Setting	Percent
Outpatient	60%
Inpatient	20%
Emergency department	10%
Perioperative	10%

Life course	Percent
Pediatric (birth to age 17)	20%
Adult	60%
Geriatric (older person with	20%
considerable impairment	
or frailty. ¹)	

Bloom's Taxonomy ²	Percent	
Analyze & evaluate	40%	
Understand & apply	50%	
Remember	10%	

¹ To understand the distinction between an older adult case scenario and a geriatric case scenario, we set a definition that refers to the patient's condition combined with age. We employ the definition used by the American Geriatrics Society: About geriatrics. https://www.americangeriatrics.org/geriatrics-profession/aboutgeriatrics. Accessed May 2, 2018.

See also: Fried LP, Hall WH. Editorial: leading on behalf of an aging society. J Am Geriatr Soc. 2008;56(10):1791.

² Bloom BS, Engelhart MD, Furst EJ, Hill WH. *Taxonomy of Educational Objectives: The Classification of Educational Goals*. New York: David McKay Company; 1956.