

NCCPA PANRE Practice Exam Performance Profile

The NCCPA Practice Exam is provided for educational purposes only. It is *not* intended to predict your performance on any of our exams, and you should not interpret your results as a prediction of your performance. The results may assist you in identifying possible strengths or weaknesses in the various content areas that make up the exam.

The content blueprint for each specific exam is used as a guideline when items are selected for the Practice Exams. Each test question counts equally towards your overall performance. The larger content areas contain more questions and thus contribute more to your overall score on the Practice Exam, as well as on each actual exam. However, because the Practice Exams have fewer items than the actual exams, the content areas contain a smaller number of items. For example, approximately 3% of the PANRE content blueprint is comprised of hematology questions. Thus, on the 120-question Practice Exam, there would be only 3 to 4 questions in this content area. It is important to keep in mind that performance on a small number of items is less reliable than with a larger number of items. Your performance is based on the limited number of items sampled in the Practice Exam and should *not* be used as a predictor of actual performance.

The performance feedback provided on the Practice Exam is based on the last time the questions were administered before they were retired. Unfortunately, due to the ever-changing content in the medical field, the performance feedback may not reflect how the test questions would perform if administered on a current administration of each exam. The yellow area in the overall performance bar shows the ranges of scores surrounding the current cut score. Performance that fall into this area indicates a test-taker is at-risk for a not-passing. The horizontal black bar reflects your overall performance plus and minus a margin of error.

In the content areas, the overall length of the bar is representative of the percentage of content coverage on the exam blueprint. Thus, the larger content areas, such as cardiovascular and pulmonary, have longer bars. Emerging Topics (2%) is not represented on the score report, thus the medical content systems sum to 98%. The vertical black line in each content area represents how a test-taker at the passing score would be expected to perform in each content area on the test. The asterisk represents your performance on the test questions in each content area.

