



Policy on Content of Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment Tests

BACKGROUND

This policy guides development of the Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment (LLSA) component of the Emergency Medicine Continuous Certification (EMCC) program. The goal is to assure that through the LLSA tests diplomates receive systematic exposure to all of the specified content areas of the EM Model over an entire EMCC cycle. This policy achieves this by describing 1) the generic content specifications of each annual LLSA test, and 2) the schedule of content coverage for LLSA across the EM Model over an entire EMCC cycle.

POLICY

Each annual Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment (LLSA) test will be composed of approximately 50% items from recent literature within specified areas of the EM Model's *Listing of Conditions and Components*, and the remaining 50% of the items from recent literature in any other areas of the *Listing of Conditions and Components*.

All content areas of the *Listing of Conditions and Components* will be covered within the designated content specifications of the LLSA tests over the course of an entire ten-year EMCC cycle.

PROCEDURES

Content Specifications for Annual LLSA Tests

Each annual LLSA test will consist of 32 to 40 test items, of which approximately 50% will be focused on the current year's specified content area(s) and approximately 50% will focus on any other content areas of the *Listing of Conditions and Components*.

LLSA Content Specifications Over an Entire EMCC Cycle

LLSA operates over a nine-year development cycle. In each of these nine years, LLSA content will focus on two to three designated areas of the *Listing of Conditions and Components* representing approximately 10%-12% the entire content of the *Listing of Conditions and Components*. The specific schedule of content coverage over the nine-year LLSA development cycle is documented in the LLSA examination blueprint.

EXCEPTION

None