# **Examination Information**

**NATIONAL BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS** 

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# American Board of Chiropractic Internists Examination

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# THE NATIONAL BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

The National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) was established in 1963 to address the testing needs of the chiropractic profession.

The NBCE develops, administers and scores examinations and reports scores to licensing agencies for their use in evaluating various areas of competency. Licensing agencies that regulate the practice of chiropractic within each state and some foreign countries use NBCE examination scores in their evaluations of candidates for licensure, registration or reciprocity/endorsement.

The information included in this brochure reflects NBCE examination policies and procedures as they pertain to the Diplomate for the American Board of Chiropractic Internists (ABCI) written exam.

# **ABCI EXAMINATION**

The ABCI Examination is one of the requirements for completing the Diplomate of the American Board of Chiropractic Internists degree. It is offered at Pearson VUE Testing Centers throughout North America. The exam consists of 200 standard multiple-choice questions, divided into two equal sessions of 100 questions each.

Test appointments are scheduled for three and one-half hours. The schedule allows time for a brief tutorial, the test administration, an optional break between sessions, and a post-exam survey.

# **CONTACTING THE NBCE**

Website	www.mynbce.org
Online Application	https://account.mynbce.org
E-mail Address	processing@nbce.org
Telephone	970-356-9100
Toll Free Telephone	800-964-6223
FAX	970-336-6477
Toll Free FAX	877-450-0519

# **APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible to take the ABCI, you must complete the 300 hour DABCI program and submit an application. For more information, please visit the Council on Diagnosis and Internal Disorders at <a href="https://www.councildid.com">www.councildid.com</a>.

# **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

In order to schedule your exam, you must also apply to the NBCE at www.mynbce.org.

You must have a MyNBCE account to apply. Look for the **Sign Into MyNBCE** link on the home page of www.mynbce.org. If this is the first time you have applied online for an NBCE exam, you may create an account as part of the application process.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have taken NBCE Part I, call 800-964-6223 and ask for your examinee number before you create an account. You may also contact us through the Chat feature on the MyNBCE website. Using your examinee number to create your account will ensure that all of your NBCE test scores are recorded correctly.

After you create your account, look for the *My Applications* link and then choose *Special Exams*. From there you will see the link for *Diplomate of the American Board of Chiropractic Internists*.

When you apply, the first step is to request electronic approval from the ABCI. (If your request is denied, you will need to contact the ABCI.)

# **TEST ACCOMMODATIONS**

The NBCE and Pearson VUE make every attempt to honor requests for applicants who require special testing arrangements due to a disability, including a temporary limitation and/or a physical or learning disability.

To be eligible for test accommodations, you must submit a current Test Accommodation Request each time you apply for an examination. You must also submit a disability report when requesting test accommodations due to a physical or learning disability.

To review specific documentation guidelines, see the *Test Accommodations* brochure, available at www.mynbce.org. The NBCE reviews each request on an individual basis, and grants appropriate accommodations if approved.

Standards for test accommodations vary. You are not guaranteed approval of accommodations by the NBCE, even if you have previously received test accommodations from your college or another testing organization.

Please mail your completed Test Accommodation Request to the NBCE. You will be notified via e-mail once a determination has been made. At that time, you will be given further instructions regarding scheduling your appointment at Pearson Vue. The NBCE may annotate transcripts of scores for individuals taking NBCE examinations with testing accommodations.

**NOTE:** If you are approved for testing accommodations, you must contact Pearson VUE customer service at 800-466-0450 to confirm that those arrangements will be available for your testing appointment.

# **EXAMINATION FEES**

The seating fee for the ABCI written exam is \$150, paid to the NBCE. Please contact ABCI regarding additional fees.

NBCE fees must be paid online by credit card through your MyNBCE account. The NBCE accepts Mastercard, VISA, and Discover credit cards.

#### APPLICATION CONFIRMATION

The NBCE will e-mail you once your application has been processed. After you receive the e-mail, you should immediately contact Pearson VUE to schedule your testing appointment. Appointment times depend upon available space at testing centers.

To schedule your testing appointment, you may:

- Go online to www.pearsonvue.com/nbce.
- Call Pearson VUE at 800-981-1622.
- If you are approved for test accommodations, call Pearson VUE at 800-466-0450.

# **LOCATING A TESTING CENTER**

Testing centers are located throughout North America. To find a testing center near you:

- Go to www.pearsonvue.com/nbce.
- Click on "Locate a test center."
- Follow the prompts.

# **TEST PLANS**

The test plan is the blueprint from which each exam is constructed. In the test plans below, the emphasis devoted to each subject category appears as a percentage beside the categories included in each exam.

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- 1. Cancer/Neoplasm 4%
- 2. Cardiovascular Conditions 13%
- 3. Dermatological Conditions 8%
- 4. Endocrine/Metabolic Conditions 15%
- 5. Female and Male Reproductive Disorders 5%
- 6. Gastrointestinal and Liver Conditions 17%
- 7. Immune and Autoimmune Disorders 15%
- 8. Pediatric and Geriatric Conditions 9%
- 9. Renal/Urological Conditions 7%
- 10. Respiratory Conditions 7%

Each of the above sections will contain questions on:

- A. Case History
- B. Physical Examination
- C. Clinical Laboratory and other Diagnostic Studies
- D. Case Management

# **EXAMINEE DISQUALIFICATION**

The NBCE will issue NO refunds to:

- 1. examinees who fail to take a scheduled examination.
- 2. examinees who apply, but take only a portion of the examination.
- examinees who fail to comply with the testing center's policy and are therefore unable to take or complete the examination.
- 4. examinees who fail to read and accept the Non-Disclosure agreement (NDA) within the allotted time, causing the examination to time out.

In all such cases, you must submit a new application with correct fees when applying for a future exam.

# SCORE REPORTING

You will not receive scores at the testing center. The ABCI requires a passing score of 75%. You will receive your score directly from the ABCI.