



# THE NATIONAL BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

## Candidate Information Bulletin Part III Examination



### *American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examination (APMLE)*

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#### -- IMPORTANT NOTICE --

**Please be aware that all appointments must be scheduled through the Prometric Website. Phone scheduling will no longer be offered unless you have been approved for Testing Accommodations.**

Before you register for your Part III Registration Form, please contact the State Board in the state where you would like to be licensed. Your eligibility will be determined by the state once you satisfy the state's requirements. Prometric can only release your Authorization to Test (ATT) upon approval of the State Board.



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# Introduction

## **NBPME Overview**

The National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (NBPME) is a nonprofit corporation established in 1956.

The National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (NBPME) offers the American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examinations (APMLE), which are qualifying examinations currently recognized or utilized by legal agencies governing the practice of podiatric medicine in the states, provinces, and federal agencies listed in this Bulletin on page 15. Legal agencies may, at their discretion, grant successful candidates a license to practice podiatric medicine without further written examination.

The National Board organization consists of 13 members and includes two members nominated by the Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards; an educator at one of the Colleges of Podiatric Medicine; one member who has had professional experience in statistics and test development; one member representing the consuming public; three individuals from state licensing boards; a podiatric physician currently in practice; and four individuals with experience: on the Council on Podiatric Medical Education, on the Council of Teaching Hospitals, as a member of a Specialty Board, and as a Director of a Podiatric Medical Residency Program. A member of the Board of Trustees of the American Podiatric Medical Association, a representative from the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM), and a representative from the American Podiatric Medical Students Association (APMSA) serve in a liaison capacity with the Board.

The NBPME has contracted with Prometric Inc. to conduct its American Podiatric Medical Licensing Exam (APMLE) program for the Part I, Part II written, and Part III examinations.

The NBPME has contracted with the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners® (NBOME®) to conduct its American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examination (APMLE) program for the Part II Clinical Skills Patient Encounter (Part II CSPE) starting in 2016.

## **At a Glance**

This Candidate Information Bulletin provides details about taking the NBPME Part III examination. The steps below summarize that process.



### **To take the APMLE Part III**

- 1** Contact the Licensing Board in the state in which you wish to be licensed. A list of State Boards can be found in this Bulletin beginning on Page 24.

- 2 Once the State has determined your eligibility to test based on the State's requirements, **visit <https://www.prometric.com/NBPME> to create an online account & register for your examination (see Page 29).**

**Note** If you have already graduated, you are now required to upload your supporting documentation (transcript or diploma, and letter of approval, if applicable) electronically. Please ensure you have uploaded your documents before clicking "submit" on your application.

If you have not yet graduated, your application will be submitted to your school for approval.

- 3 Once your exam registration form has been approved, you will receive an Authorization to Test (ATT) email notification and must then log back in to your online account to schedule an appointment and pay to take your exam (see Page 8 ).
- 4 Prepare for your exam, using this Bulletin and other discipline-related materials. The content outline in this Bulletin is the basis for the exam (see page 19).
- 5 Take the scheduled exam, bringing your required identification to the test center (see Page 9).
- 6 Your exam results will be reported to the State Board where you applied approximately three weeks after you take the exam (see Page 14).

### ***To get answers not provided in this bulletin***

If you read this Bulletin and have further questions about the registration process, fees, test centers, Authorization to Test or score reports, you may contact:

**Prometric/NBPME**  
 7941 Corporate Drive  
 Nottingham, MD 21236  
 Phone: 877.302.8952  
 Website at [www.prometric.com/nbpme](http://www.prometric.com/nbpme)

## ***Examination Overview***

### ***Exam Descriptions***

The National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (NBPME) offers the American Podiatric Medical Licensing Exams (APMLE), which are written qualifying exams currently recognized or utilized by legal agencies governing the practice of podiatric medicine in the states, provinces, and federal agencies listed in this Bulletin beginning on page 15. Legal agencies may, at their discretion, grant successful candidates a license to practice podiatric medicine without further written examination.

The American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examination (APMLE) consists of four components: Part I, Part II written, Part II CSPE and Part III. The written exams are designed to assess knowledge of basic sciences, clinical sciences and clinical decision making, and the Part II CSPE assesses communication and diagnostic skills in a clinical setting.

## EXAMINATION OVERVIEW

The **Part I examination** samples the candidate's knowledge in the basic science areas of General Anatomy, including embryology, histology, genetics, and geriatrics; Lower Extremity Anatomy; Biochemistry; Physiology; Microbiology and Immunology; Pathology; and Pharmacology.

The **Part II written examination** samples the candidate's knowledge in the clinical areas of Medicine; Radiology; Orthopedics, Biomechanics and Sports Medicine; Anesthesia and Surgery; and Community Health, Jurisprudence, and Research. A separate Candidate Information Bulletin for the Part II CSPE exam is available online at [www.apmle.org](http://www.apmle.org). Performance on the Part II written examination does not impact eligibility for the Part II CSPE.

The **Part II Clinical Skills Patient Encounter** (Part II CSPE) assesses proficiency in podiatric clinical communication tasks. Candidates will be expected to perform a focused physical examination including podiatric and general medicine physical exam maneuvers appropriate for each patient presentation. Podiatric and general medical knowledge, verbal and written communication, and interpersonal skills will be assessed in each exam form. Performance on the Part II CSPE does not impact eligibility for the Part II written examination.

The **Part III examination** samples the candidate's clinical skills in evaluating, diagnosing and treating patients. Examples of the application of knowledge may be measured through photographs, radiographs and case presentations. Part III is the final step in the APMLE examination process, and successful completion of all Parts are required to adequately demonstrate the ability to practice podiatric medicine with skill and safety in an unsupervised setting.

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### **Exam Eligibility Requirements**

Any candidates starting the NBPME's APMLE examinations after January 1, 2010, must take and pass the exams in sequential order. The Part I examination **must** be taken and passed before the Part II examinations may be taken. Likewise, the Part II examinations **must** be taken and passed before the Part III examination may be taken.

This examination sequence policy does not apply to or affect candidates who have taken any NPME exam (whether Part, Part II or Part III) prior to January 1, 2010. If you did take any exam prior to January 1, 2010, you must still pass Parts I and II before applying for Part III.

Beginning with the Class of 2015, and excluding the Classes of 2016, 2021, and 2022, there are two components to the Part II examination: the Part II written and the Part II CSPE. Candidates must pass the Part II written examination and the Part II CSPE before the Part III examination can be taken. Additionally, candidates must meet certain eligibility requirements prior to taking each examination.

To be initially eligible to take the **Part I examination**, a candidate must be confirmed by the dean of an accredited podiatric medical school as listed with the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association as a currently enrolled, second-year student or having attained equivalent training.

To be initially eligible to take the **Part II written examination**, a candidate must have passed the Part I examination **and** be confirmed as

a currently enrolled, second-semester fourth-year student by the dean of an accredited podiatric medical school as listed with the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association.

To be initially eligible to take the **Part II CSPE**, a candidate must have passed the Part I examination **and** be confirmed as a currently enrolled as a fourth-year student by the dean of an accredited podiatric medical school as listed with the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association. Candidates who completed their fourth year prior to 2015 are not eligible to take the Part II CSPE.

To be initially eligible to take the **Part III examination**, a candidate must have passed the Part I and Part II examinations, including, where applicable, both Part II written examination and the Part II CSPE. A candidate must also receive authorization from the state board participating in the Part III program that will issue the license the candidate is seeking. Those four states that require a letter of approval from them or from their 3rd-party vendor: MA, KY, FL and IL. If you are not applying in one of these four states, an approval letter is not required.

For all examinations, once a candidate has been deemed eligible to take a particular APMLE examination, the candidate will remain eligible to take the examination.

## Scheduling and Registration Process

Before you may test, you must:

- 1 Register for your exam by the registration deadline.
- 2 Receive your Authorization to Test (ATT) email notification.
- 3 Log back in to your new online account to schedule and pay for your appointment to take the exam.

### Registration Information

Please visit <https://www.prometric.com/NBPME> to access the online registration form. You will need to create an online account prior to completing & submitting your registration.



**Note** If you do not register by the posted deadline date, you may not be able to take the exam until the next exam administration.

### Examination dates

The upcoming examination dates for the Part III exam are:

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### NBPME Part III exam fees

You are responsible for paying the \$925 examination fee to the State Board or to Prometric. Payments made to Prometric are accepted via MasterCard, Visa or American Express at time of scheduling

### Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

If you require testing accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please call Prometric at **800.967.1139** to obtain an accommodation request form. Reasonable testing accommodations are provided to allow candidates with documented disabilities recognized under the ADA an opportunity to demonstrate their skills and knowledge.

Candidates should submit professional documentation of the disability with their application form to help us determine the necessary testing arrangements. Thirty days' advance notice is required for all testing arrangements. There is no additional charge for these accommodations.

## Registration Process

**The online registration process was introduced in 2014**. This online process will allow you to create a user profile, electronically submit your application for approval, and upon approval schedule your exam online. You will have access to an online service tool called "My Dashboard," which will help you to manage your applications and testing appointments and allow you to view history of your Prometric testing events and scores. This process will eliminate paper application processing, expedite the registration process, and increase security of your personal information and credit card data. It will align with how you electronically manage your educational career. The details of this online process and creation of your personal dashboard will follow throughout this document.

To register an examination online, follow these steps:

- 1 Please visit <https://www.prometric.com/NBPME> to access your online account.



**Note** If you previously registered using the online process, please log into your existing account using your **original** username (email) and password.

**Creating a new account is strictly prohibited.** If you create multiple accounts, your exam results will be significantly delayed.

- 2 Complete your registration by clicking on Apply next to the exam name and clicking Submit when you have entered all required information into the application form.
- 3 Once your registration is approved, Prometric will send you an Authorization to Test (ATT) email notification. You must log back into your dashboard to schedule your exam.



Please see page 29 for instructions on creating an online account and submitting your application.

## ***Scheduling Exam Appointments***

Follow these steps to schedule an appointment:

- 1** Log into your Prometric account by going to <https://www.prometric.com/NBPME> and then selecting "Access My Account" to schedule and pay for your exam (for detailed instructions See Page 29).
- 2** If you must contact Prometric, call **877.302.8952**, or write to [NBPMEinquiry@prometric.com](mailto:NBPMEinquiry@prometric.com), to have your questions addressed.
- 3** For scheduling purposes, expect your appointment to last up to five hours. **Four hours is allotted for exam completion** and up to one hour is designated for check-in, breaks (unscheduled), and an end-of-exam questionnaire. Most candidates begin the exam within 30 minutes of their appointment time.
- 4** Make a note of when and where you have been scheduled for the exam. An appointment confirmation will be sent to the email address provided. If needed, you should ask for directions to the test center.



**Note** Since seating at each exam site is limited; be sure to **schedule your exam appointment as soon as you receive your ATT email notification** to ensure you get the location of your choice. If you wait to schedule and all seats have been filled, you will not be able to take the exam until the next scheduled exam date.

### **Confirmation email**

Upon completion of the scheduling process, a confirmation email is sent containing your test authorization number, identification number, and the date time and location of the exam. If any information on the confirmation notice is incorrect, if you have not received your confirmation notice before your exam date, or if you lose your confirmation email, you can log back in to your dashboard and request a duplicate confirmation.

### **Test center locations**

Test centers within a 50-mile radius of the nine schools of podiatric medicine have a reserved number of seats on each Part III exam date. This includes exam sites in or near Chicago, Cleveland, Des Moines, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Phoenix, and San Francisco. Testing is available at any one of our Prometric test center locations.

You can go online to check for test locations and schedule your exam by going to [www.prometric.com/NBPME](https://www.prometric.com/NBPME).

## ***Refund / Rescheduling Policies***

All requests for refunds must be made in writing to Prometric. You must also notify Prometric in writing of your cancellation intention by faxing your request to 800.813.6670, by emailing to [NBPMEinquiry@prometric.com](mailto:NBPMEinquiry@prometric.com), or by mailing to the address on Page 5.

## TAKING YOUR EXAM

### More than 28 days prior to your scheduled the exam date:

- You may request a refund (exam fee minus \$100 service charge).
- You may reschedule to another testing center for the same exam date.

### 11 to 28 days prior to your scheduled exam date:

- If you cancel, you will not receive a refund.
- You may reschedule your exam one time for a \$100 fee.
  - To reschedule, you must submit a new application during the new application period.
  - Call the Prometric registration center and pay the transfer \$100 fee.
  - The exam must be rescheduled within the next two exam administrations by calling the Prometric registration center. Do not reschedule online or you will be charged the full \$925 fee.
  - If you do not reapply within the two subsequent exam administrations, you will forfeit your fee.

### 10 days or less prior to your scheduled exam date:

- You will forfeit your exam registration fee if you:
  - Change or cancel a test 10 days or less before the scheduled exam.
  - Fail to appear for your scheduled exam.
  - Appear without proper identification and are refused entry.
  - Show up more than 30 minutes after the scheduled exam start time and are refused admission to the exam.

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### **Medical Emergencies**

If you need to reschedule an exam appointment because of a **medical emergency**, you must email a written request and provide official documentation, such as a doctor's letter, to [nbpmeinquiry@prometric.com](mailto:nbpmeinquiry@prometric.com). Such a request must be made within the two -week period following the scheduled exam date. No refund of exam fees is guaranteed.

## ***Taking your Exam***

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Knowing what to expect when taking your exam may help you prepare for it. This section contains:

- A list of what to bring to the exam.
- Regulations that will be enforced at the test center.
- An explanation of the computer testing process.

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### ***What to bring to the Test Center***

You should arrive at least **30 minutes before** your scheduled exam appointment. This allows time for you to sign in and for staff to verify your identification.

**Identification document.** You must present a valid and current (not expired) form of identification before you may test. That identification document **must**:

- Be government-issued (e.g., driver's license, passport, state-issued identification card or military identification card);
- Contain **both** a current photo and your signature (if it does not, you must present two identification cards: one with your photo and one with your signature); and
- Have a name that exactly matches the name used on the NBPME registration and that matches the ATT (including designations such as "Jr." and "III").

If you cannot provide the identification listed above, contact Prometric **before** scheduling your appointment to arrange an alternative way to meet this requirement.



**Important** Failure to provide appropriate identification at the time of the exam is considered a missed appointment. If you miss your appointment, or arrive late, you will forfeit your exam fees and be required to register again and pay another examination fee.

If the test center administrator questions your photo identification, a second form of signature-bearing ID will be required. Acceptable second forms of ID include: valid military identification card, citizenship card, or a current driver's license (does not have to have a photo). All forms of identification must have been signed before you arrive at the test center.

## Test Center Regulations

To ensure that all candidates are tested under equally favorable conditions, the following regulations and procedures will be observed at each test center. Failure to follow any of these security procedures may result in the disqualification of your exam. Prometric reserves the right to audiotape and videotape any examination session.

**Biometric-enabled check-in.** For security reasons, biometric-enabled check-in is used at all Prometric test centers. When you arrive at the test center, you will be required to sign a signature log and have your fingerprints scanned. The date and time you enter and exit the exam room will be recorded and the signature log will be verified against the signature on your identification documents and your digital fingerprint. The fingerprint template is permanently erased within 48 hours after your exam is completed. If you leave the examination room while an examination is in progress, you must sign out/in on the log and will lose exam time.

**References.** No reference materials, dictionaries, books, papers or study materials are allowed at the test center. If you are found with these or any other aids, you will not be allowed to continue the exam and your answers will not be scored.

**Electronic equipment.** Cell phones, PDAs, pagers, cameras, and tape recorders are not permitted in the testing room and must be powered off while stored in a locker. You will not be permitted to use any electronic devices or phones during breaks.

**Personal items.** Watches, outerwear that is not being worn while testing (sweater, jacket, etc.), briefcases, purses, etc., are not allowed in the test center. Pocket items (wallet, keys, etc.) must be placed in a locker. Disposable ear plugs will be available from the test center administrator, if needed.

## TAKING YOUR EXAM

During the check-in process, we inspect any and all eyeglasses, jewelry and other accessories to look for camera devices that could be used to capture exam content.

You will be required to remove your eyeglasses for close visual inspection. These inspections will take a few seconds and will be done at check-in and again upon return from breaks before you enter the testing room to ensure you do not violate any security protocol.

Jewelry outside of wedding and engagement rings is prohibited. Please do not wear other jewelry to the test center. Hair accessories, ties and bowties are subject to inspection. Please refrain from using ornate clips, combs, barrettes, headbands, tie clips, cuff links and other accessories as you may be prohibited from wearing them in to the testing room and asked to store them in your locker. Violation of security protocol may result in the confiscation of prohibited devices and termination of your exam.

You will be required to store all personal belongings (except for identification documents) in storage lockers. While the lockers are secure, they are small. Do not bring unnecessary items to the test center. The test center assumes no responsibility for candidates' personal belongings.

**Food and Beverages.** You may not eat, drink, or use tobacco during the test administration.

**Guests/Visitors.** No guests, visitors or family members are allowed at the test center. Persons not scheduled to take a test are not permitted in the test center.

**Misconduct or disruptive behavior.** Candidates who engage in any kind of misconduct or disruptive or offensive behavior, such as giving or receiving help, taking part in an act of impersonation, removing test materials or notes from the testing room, rude or offensive language, or behavior that delays or interrupts testing, may be dismissed from the examination. Exhibiting abusive behavior toward any test center staff member may result in criminal prosecution.

**Weapons.** No weapons of any kind are allowed at the test center.

**If questions arise.** If at any time during the test you believe you have a problem with your computer or need the administrator for any reason, you should raise your hand. Test center administrators are not allowed to answer any questions pertaining to the test content. If you do not understand a question on the test, you should answer the question to the best of your ability.

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### ***The Computer Testing Process***

Your exam will be given by computer at a Prometric test center using Prometric's user-friendly, Microsoft Windows®-based, computerized testing system. Before you start the exam, you will receive a personalized tutorial to the testing system. The tutorial is not included as part of the testing time.

The test center administrator will provide you with a packet of scratch paper that may be replaced as needed during testing. You may not bring your own scratch paper or pencil to the examination. The test center administrator will collect all scratch paper (used and unused) upon completion of the examination. Removing scratch paper from the test center is considered an act of misconduct.

At the beginning of the exam, you will be asked to read and signify assent to the terms and conditions of the Confidentiality and Conduct Agreement, which states:

**CONFIDENTIALITY AND CONDUCT AGREEMENT**

The contents of this test are copyrighted, proprietary, and confidential. Any efforts to disclose or reproduce any portion of the test, its content or items therein in any part to any individual or entity for any purpose whatsoever is prohibited. Such activity may be responded to by test score invalidation for an individual or group as well as civil and or criminal prosecution.

I can be disqualified from taking or continuing to sit for an examination, or from receiving examination results, or my scores might be canceled if there is reason to believe through proctor observations, statistical analysis, or any other evidence that my score may not be valid or that I was engaged in collaborative, disruptive, or other unacceptable behavior during the administration of this examination.

You will have four hours to complete the examination. The time remaining for your exam is displayed in the upper right-hand corner of the computer screen. There are no scheduled breaks. You must remain in your seat during the examination except when authorized to leave by a test center staff member.

The clock will continue to run and will not be turned off for unplanned, unscheduled breaks. If there is a power outage, the time will stop counting down. When power is restored, the examination will resume at the point where it left off.

Once the exam is finished, you will be asked to complete a brief, computer-delivered questionnaire about your testing experience.

## Examination Results

### Score Interpretation

Scores on the exam are determined by converting the number of questions answered correctly out of the number of questions administered to a scale that ranges from approximately 55 to beyond 75. The scale passing score has been set by the NBPME at 75, which corresponds to a level of achievement judged by the Board to represent minimum standards of practice.

Passing candidates will receive a score report with a "Pass" indicated. Failing candidates will receive a report with a failing scale score (between 55 and 74).

**Examination reviews are not permitted.**

Failing candidates will also receive diagnostic indicators for each content area. The diagnostic indicators will be reported to failing candidates as follows:

- Below the level of minimum competence.
- At or above the level of minimum competence.

It should be understood that the NBPME makes the data and information available but does not attempt to analyze or interpret it. Each State Board determines whether and how to accept and use APMLE results.



**Note** There is no limit to the number of times you may take the examination, however, some states do place a limit on the number of times a candidate may be examined and still receive a license. You should consult individual State Boards for more information about any specific state requirements and limitations.

The total score scale makes it possible to compare candidates' scores on a specific examination to scores on other forms of the same examination given the standard adopted by the NBPME. The comparison is possible because the examinations are statistically "equated" each time a new form is administered. The equating process makes appropriate adjustments so that equivalent scores on examination forms of different difficulty levels are made comparable. The purpose of equating is to maximize relative consistency in the Board standards for passing the examinations across forms.

Candidates' scores are converted to scaled scores in such a way that a particular score corresponds to the same level of achievement regardless of the form of the examination actually taken. In other words, a score of 75 on a specific examination has the same meaning as a score of 75 on any form of the examination. This means a candidate will not be penalized if the form of the examination taken is harder than the form given to another candidate.

### ***Reporting of Examination Results***

Part III examination scores will be reported to the State Board to which the candidate applied approximately three weeks following the exam. The State Board or Prometric will report pass/fail status to candidates.

**Result pass/fail status will post to your online account approximately three weeks after the examination. If you are unsuccessful in passing your examination, please reach out to your school for additional diagnostic information.**

State Boards using the Part III examination are denoted by an asterisk in the list beginning on Page 24.

### **Determination of the passing score**

Each State Board has the ultimate authority for establishing the passing score in its state. NBPME, through its subcontractor, will recommend a cut score. Each State Board then defines its criteria for passing and notifies candidates of their pass/fail outcome, accordingly.

### **Score reliability**

Reliability refers to the consistency of examination scores, the consistency with which candidates are classified as either passing or failing and the degree to which examination scores are free from errors of measurement. Errors of measurement may result from factors related to the examination, such as specific questions asked and an examinee's preparedness, or from factors not related to the exam, such as fatigue, personal interests or the attentiveness of an examinee on the day of the test. A person's score will not be perfectly consistent from one occasion to the next. The APMLE tests are analyzed each time to assure that any error of measurement is as small as possible and falls within acceptable parameters. As a result, the reported score is considered both valid and reliable for licensure purposes.

## Certified score reporting

The Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards (FPMB) is responsible for disseminating official Part III examination results to the State Boards.

It is the responsibility of candidates to determine in advance that the State Board to which they will apply will accept Part III scores earned out of state. States may be required by law or regulation to apply their own scoring standards. Consequently, a passing score in one state might not be a passing score in another state.

Applicants for licensure who need to have their Part III score certified to another State Licensing Board may do so online at [www.fpmb.org](http://www.fpmb.org). Click the "Order Reports" button. After completing the online form, visitors have the option to pay for requests with their Visa or MasterCard credit card. Alternatively, requests may be printed and mailed to the FPMB with a check.

Part III score reports are generally \$45 per state, but charges can vary by state. For additional information, contact the FPMB Executive Office at 202-810-3762.

## Licensing Boards

Licensing Boards			
Alabama	Idaho	Missouri	Pennsylvania
Alaska	Illinois	Montana	Rhode Island
Arizona	Indiana	Nebraska	South Carolina
Arkansas	Iowa	Nevada	South Dakota
California	Kansas	New Hampshire	Tennessee
Colorado	Kentucky	New Jersey	Texas
Connecticut	Louisiana	New Mexico	Utah
Delaware	Maine	New York	Vermont
Dist. of Columbia	Maryland	North Carolina	Virginia
Florida	Massachusetts	North Dakota	Washington
Georgia	Michigan	Ohio	West Virginia
Hawaii	Minnesota	Oklahoma	Wisconsin
	Mississippi	Oregon	Wyoming
Canadian Provinces			
Alberta	British Columbia		Ontario
Federal Agencies			
United States Army		United States Navy	

## Comments, Questions, Concerns

Prometric provides an opportunity for general comments about the test center experience at the end of the exam. Prometric personnel will review candidate comments, but candidates will not receive a direct response.

If you are requesting a direct response about exam content, registration, scheduling or test administration (test site procedures, equipment, personnel, etc.), please submit your request by visiting [www.prometric.com/contactus](http://www.prometric.com/contactus).

Prometric will investigate each concern and reply to comments within a reasonable length of time. Inquiries about scores or about eligibility and procedures for re-examination may also be directed to the website above.

## ***Examination Integrity***

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### ***Copyright***

All proprietary rights in the examinations, including copyright and trade secrets, are jointly held by the NBPME and Prometric. Federal law provides severe civil and criminal penalties for the unauthorized reproduction, distribution, or exhibition of copyrighted materials.

### ***Score Validity***

The NBPME shall either retain or reserve the sole right to determine whether or not an examination is valid or invalid. The acceptance of a candidate's application to take the examination or the scoring thereof or the release of said examination results to any party shall not act in any way to amend the right of the NBPME to determine whether such examinations or the scores achieved thereon are valid or invalid in whole or in part.

A determination that an examination and the scores achieved thereon are invalid may be made at any time by the NBPME. The NBPME also reserves the right to cancel any scores that may already have been reported when subsequent information raises doubt of their validity.

Occasionally testing irregularities occur that affect a group of test takers. Such problems include, without limitation, administrative errors, defective equipment or materials, improper access to test content and/or the unauthorized general availability of test content, as well as other disruptions of test administrations (such as a natural disasters). When group testing irregularities occur, Prometric will conduct an investigation to provide information to the NBPME. Based on this information, the NBPME may direct Prometric to either not score the examination or invalidate the examination scores.

When appropriate, the NBPME will arrange with Prometric to give affected test takers the opportunity to take the examination again as soon as possible, without charge. Affected test takers will be notified of the reasons for the invalidation and their options for retaking the examination.

### ***Candidate Misconduct***

The APMLE, prepared by the NBPME and administered by Prometric, serves an important public function and no misconduct will be tolerated.

Before individual test results are canceled or invalidated, a candidate will be notified and given an opportunity to provide additional information.

If, during the administration of an examination, or after completion of the examination, a test supervisor believes misconduct is taking or has taken place, certain options shall be available to the test supervisor or Prometric.

- 1** A test supervisor may dismiss a candidate from the test and file a report with Prometric stating the action and the reasons for dismissal.
- 2** A test supervisor may choose not to dismiss the candidate from the test. Under such circumstances, the test supervisor will file an irregularity report with Prometric describing his or her observations.

In either event, when a test supervisor reports to Prometric that a candidate might have committed misconduct during an examination, that candidate's test record is reviewed by Prometric and the NBPME.



## Grounds for dismissal

Any candidate who does not have positive identification, who uses unauthorized aids, or does not follow the testing procedures can be dismissed from the test center. The NBPME may choose to have the test scores of such candidates canceled.

A candidate who is believed to be engaging in misconduct and does not heed the administrator's warning to discontinue the behavior may be dismissed from the test center. All of the following behaviors are considered to be misconduct:

- Giving or receiving assistance of any kind.
- Using any unauthorized aids.
- Attempting to take the examination for someone else.
- Failing to follow testing regulations or the instructions of the test administrator.
- Creating a disturbance of any kind.
- Removing or attempting to remove examination questions.
- Tampering with the operation of the computer or attempting to use it for any function other than taking the examination.

## Altered Score Reports

Misconduct extends beyond behavior at the test center. Schools, state licensing agencies and medical staff offices at hospitals and residency programs all must rely on the integrity of score reports provided by NBPME. Any attempt to alter or misrepresent an official score report will be considered a serious breach of examination integrity.

## Invalidation of Results

The NBPME has the right to question any test score when the validity is in doubt because the score may have been obtained unfairly. Prometric, acting on behalf of the NBPME, will undertake a confidential review of the circumstances giving rise to the questions about score validity. If there is sufficient cause to question the score, Prometric will refer the matter to the NBPME, which will make the final decision on whether or not the score is to be withheld or invalidated. In the event the NBPME determines that a candidate's individual test results will be withheld or invalidated, or that a group of results will be withheld or invalidated, the NBPME will notify the candidate or group.

## Appeals procedure for misconduct

Upon written request or application in accordance with the appeal procedure, a candidate whose individual score is withheld or invalidated due to specific individual misconduct may, within 15 business days of the notification, submit a written request for a hearing.

The purpose of the hearing will be to provide an opportunity for the candidate to produce sufficient credible evidence that the decision to invalidate his or her score was made in error and that he or she should have the score validated.

The appeal process is not available should a group of candidates' scores be withheld or invalidated.

The determination as to whether an appeal shall be granted to an individual candidate is made by the NBPME taking into consideration the circumstances of the invalidation decision.

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The hearing procedures shall be as follows:

- 1** The time, date, and place of the hearing will be set by the NBPME.
- 2** The hearing will be conducted by three members of the NBPME.
- 3** At the hearing, the candidate may represent such evidence as he or she deems proper and necessary. The candidate may be accompanied by an attorney and witnesses of choice.
- 4** The NBPME may request the appearance of any witnesses at the hearing as it deems necessary.
- 5** At the end of the hearing, the three NBPME committee members will evaluate the information presented and reach a conclusion, at its sole discretion, and may decide:
  - a.** The candidate may retake the examination at a future date.
  - b.** The candidate will not be permitted to retake the examination at any time. (In this case, the candidate may request reconsideration and reinstatement by the NBPME after one year.)
  - c.** The test results represent a reasonable assessment of the candidate's knowledge in the areas sampled, and the candidate's scores may be released.
  - d.** Some other action should be taken.
- 6** The candidate will be advised in writing by the NBPME of its decision at least 10 business days prior to the next deadline to file a registration for retesting.
- 7** The NBPME reserves the right to notify a candidate's college of any of the actions or decisions described above.

A complete set of procedures that apply to appeal hearings is available upon request.

### Limitation of Liability

In no case shall the NBPME or Prometric be liable to any test taker or group of test takers, either in contract or tort, when, acting in good faith, either cancels, invalidates, withholds or changes a test score or result, as provided in the Bulletin. When appropriate, NBPME and/or Prometric, at their discretion, shall provide affected test takers with an opportunity to retake an examination or shall provide a refund of the registration fee paid.

The following content outlines are the basis of the Part III APMLE exam. Each exam will contain questions about the subjects in its outline. The percentage of the exam devoted to each content area is noted.

**Each test contains scored items that exactly match the test specification. In addition, each test contains other pre-test or equator items that are vital to the program but do not count in scoring. Pretest items are placed in the exam to collect data used to determine the item's suitability for inclusion in the test bank. These additional items do not necessarily follow the specifications and may affect a candidate's perception of how many items on a given topic are encountered.**

Part III Exam Content Outline
200 questions—Four-hour content time limit
I. Medicine – 28%

- A. Diagnosis
  - 1. Steps to a differential diagnosis
  - 2. Steps to a working diagnosis
  - 3. Diagnostic testing and interpretation
- B. Patient Assessment
  - 1. Comprehensive medical history and examination
    - a. steps for obtaining a comprehensive medical history
    - b. methods for taking and understanding vital signs
    - c. performing a comprehensive examination
  - 2. Problem-focused history and examination
    - a. steps for obtaining problem-focused podiatric medical history
    - b. methods for taking and understanding vital signs
    - c. performing a comprehensive examination of the lower extremity
    - d. functions and forms of footgear, prosthetics, bracing, and orthoses
- C. Infectious diseases
  - 1. Bacterial
  - 2. Viral
  - 3. Fungal
  - 4. Parasitic
  - 5. Prion
- D. Neurology
  - 1. Peripheral neuropathies
  - 2. Central nervous system disorders
  - 3. Nerve injuries
- E. Cardiovascular
  - 1. Hypertension
  - 2. CVA
  - 3. Congestive heart failure
  - 4. Myocardial infarction
  - 5. Arrhythmias
  - 6. PAD
  - 7. CHF

- 8. Murmurs
- 9. Myocardial infarction
- 10. CAD
- 11. Thrombo-embolic disease
- 12. Venous insufficiency
- 13. Edema
- F. Rheumatology
  - 1. Myopathies
  - 2. RA
  - 3. SLE
  - 4. Osteoarthritis
    - a. post-traumatic
    - b. primary
  - 5. Other autoimmune arthritides
  - 6. Inflammatory arthritides
    - a. gout
    - b. infectious arthritides
    - c. CPPD
  - 7. Seronegative spondyloarthropathies
- G. Metabolic and endocrine
  - 1. Bone
  - 2. Renal
  - 3. Thyroid
  - 4. Diabetes mellitus
  - 5. Hypercortisolism (Cushing)
  - 6. Adrenal insufficiency
  - 7. Hypo- and hyper-thyroid
  - 8. Osteoporosis
- H. Hematology
  - 1. Anemias
  - 2. Clotting disorders
  - 3. Neoplasms
- I. Immunology
  - 1. Allergic and sensitivity reactions
  - 2. Immunosuppressive states
  - 3. Autoimmune disorders
- J. Pulmonology
  - 1. Asthma
  - 2. COPD

- 3. Emphysema
- K. Behavioral
  - 1. Depression
  - 2. Anxiety
  - 3. Personality disorders
  - 4. Non-adherent patients
  - 5. Substance abuse
- L. Dermatology
  - 1. Local and systemic manifestations
  - 2. Infections
  - 3. Nails
  - 4. Neoplasms
- M. Peripheral vascular
  - 1. Arterial
  - 2. Venous
  - 3. Lymphatic
- N. Genetic
  - 1. Muscular dystrophy
  - 2. Mitochondrial myopathies
- O. Renal and urinary
  - 1. AKI
  - 2. CKD
- P. Gastrointestinal
  - 1. Hepatitis
  - 2. Inflammatory bowel disease
- Q. Emergency medicine
  - 1. Syncope
    - a. causes
    - b. treatments
  - 2. Anaphylactic shock
    - a. triggers
    - b. symptoms
    - c. treatments
- R. Trauma
  - 1. Vascular
  - 2. Osseous
    - a. fractures
    - b. dislocations
  - 3. Soft tissue injuries
    - a. tendons
    - b. ligaments
    - c. compartment syndrome
- S. Pharmacological agents and their use
  - 1. Indications and contraindications

- 2. Comparative efficacy of medications
- 3. Side effects of medications
- T. Indications and contraindications for non-surgical vs. surgical treatments
- U. Telemedicine
  - 1. Methods of telemedicine
  - 2. How to perform, interpret, and document a telemedicine patient assessment
- V. Patient education
  - 1. Positive communication techniques and factors in establishing communication
    - a. patient health literacy
    - b. cultural understanding and language barriers
    - c. legal requirements
- W. Evidence-based Medicine and Emerging Trends
  - 1. Empirical research
  - 2. Skills necessary for the analysis of medical literature
  - 3. Research design and methodology
  - 4. Basic biostatistics
  - 5. Epidemiology
  - 6. Levels of evidence
  - 7. Public health
    - a. cultural-based competency
  - 8. Medical literature analysis
    - a. research design
    - b. basic biostatistics
    - c. epidemiology
    - d. principles of evidenced-based medicine
- X. Jurisprudence and ethics
  - 1. Doctor-patient relationship
  - 2. Medical-legal issues
    - a. assault
    - b. negligence
    - c. malpractice
  - 3. Licensure and scope of practice
  - 4. Controlled substances
  - 5. Statutes of limitation
  - 6. Informed consent
  - 7. Medical records
  - 8. Mandatory reporting

## II. Medical Imaging – 15%

- A. Positioning
  - 1. Projections
  - 2. Views

- B. Normal radiographic anatomy, variations, and developmental landmarks
- C. Radiographic pathology
  - 1. Congenital conditions
  - 2. Infectious disease
  - 3. Arthritic disease
  - 4. Trauma
  - 5. Metabolic disease
  - 6. Neoplastic disease
  - 7. Avascular necrosis
  - 8. Biomechanical abnormalities
- D. Interventional radiology
  - 1. Diagnosis and treatment of PAD
  - 2. Principles of interventional radiology
  - 3. Functions and applications of interventional radiology in podiatric medicine
- E. Other diagnostic studies
  - 1. Nerve conduction velocity
  - 2. Electromyography
  - 3. Noninvasive vascular studies
- F. Special Imaging modalities
  - 1. CT scan
  - 2. MRI
  - 3. Contrast studies
  - 4. Nuclear medicine imaging
  - 5. Diagnostic ultrasound
  - 6. Positron emission tomography

### III. Orthopedics, Biomechanics, and Sports Medicine – 22%

- A. Biomechanics, pathomechanics and functional deviation of the kinetic chain
  - 1. Biomechanical exam
  - 2. Gait analysis
    - a. visual
    - b. computer
- B. Physical medicine, treatment, and rehabilitation
  - 1. Functions and techniques for fabricating, modifying, and prescribing orthopedic devices
    - a. shoes
    - b. braces
    - c. orthoses
    - d. therapeutic shoes
  - 2. Physical therapy modalities
    - a. Prescribe

- b. perform
- 3. Therapeutic ultrasound
- C. Pediatric orthopedics
  - 1. Features of and treatment for congenital disorders
    - a. metatarsus adductus
    - b. talipes equinovarus
    - c. pes planovalgus
    - d. pes cavus
    - e. congenital dislocated hip
  - 2. Features of and treatments for pediatric developmental disorders
    - a. femoral anteversion/retroversion
    - b. tibial torsion
  - 3. Features of and treatments for cerebral palsy
- D. Overuse injuries
  - 1. Stress fractures
  - 2. Chronic compartment syndrome
  - 3. Tendinosis
- E. Trauma
  - 1. Soft tissue injuries
  - 2. Fractures
  - 3. Dislocations
  - 4. Acute compartment syndrome
  - 5. Manifestations of acute trauma
  - 6. Manifestations of chronic trauma
    - a. post-traumatic arthritis
    - b. AVN
  - 7. Sprains and strains
  - 8. Lacerations, wounds, and burns
  - 9. Pediatric trauma
- F. Trauma in vulnerable populations
  - 1. Child abuse
  - 2. Child protection
  - 3. Elder abuse
- G. Bone and joint disorders
  - 1. Arthritis
  - 2. Mechanical and structural deformities
  - 3. Neoplasms
  - 4. Bone healing and fracture management

### IV. Anesthesia – 9%

- A. General anesthesia
  - 1. Uses and contraindications
  - 2. Types of anesthetics
  - 3. Peri-operative considerations
    - a. malignant hyperthermia

4. ASA classifications
5. Airway management
  - a. pharmacological and clinical properties
    - i. indications
    - ii. contraindications
    - iii. complications
    - iv. techniques
    - v. agents

B. Regional and local anesthesia

1. Pharmacological and clinical properties
  - a. indications
  - b. contraindications
  - c. complications
  - d. agents
  - e. techniques
2. Spinal and epidural anesthesia
  - a. Uses and contraindications
3. Regional anesthesia
  - a. uses and contraindications
4. Local anesthesia
  - a. uses and contraindications

C. Intravenous sedation

1. Uses and contraindications
2. Conscious sedation
3. Pharmacological and clinical properties
4. Complications
5. Techniques

D. Monitored anesthesia care

1. Uses and contraindications
2. Pharmacological and clinical properties
3. Complications
4. Techniques

**V. Surgery – 26%**

A. Hospital and operating room protocol

1. Bandaging and casting
2. Sterile technique
3. Surgical instruments and materials
4. Positioning
5. Core principles of the OR
6. Time out

B. Surgical principles

1. Soft tissue repair, reapproximation, and management
2. Bone fixation and healing
3. Perioperative emergencies

4. Surgical hemostasis

5. Surgical anatomy

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6. Biomaterials

C. Podiatric procedures and techniques

1. Indications and contraindications for specific procedures
2. Surgical anatomy
3. Preoperative planning populations
4. Surgery for specific population
  - a. pediatrics
  - b. geriatrics
  - c. immunocompromised
5. Surgical procedures of the foot, ankle, and lower leg
  - a. arthroscopy
  - b. implants
  - c. medical devices
  - d. biomaterials

D. Preoperative evaluation and management

1. Preoperative patient assessments and risk stratifications

E. Intraoperative management and considerations

1. Hemostasis
2. Atraumatic tissue handling
3. Intraoperative complications
4. Imaging positioning

F. Postoperative management

1. Pain management
2. Medication management
3. Immobilization strategies
4. Weightbearing considerations
5. Appropriate postoperative protocols
6. Potential complications and management
  - a. infection
  - b. nonunion/malunion
  - c. DVT
  - d. CRPS
  - e. non-adherence
  - f. instability
  - g. hardware failure
7. Available community resources

G. Limb salvage

1. Essentials of limb salvage
2. Neurovascular considerations
3. Diabetic considerations
4. Infectious considerations
5. Neoplastic considerations
6. Trauma

- 7. Deformity correction
- 8. Reconstruction
- H. Acute and chronic pain management
- I. Principles of tissue healing
  - 1. Skin
  - 2. Bone
  - 3. Tendon
  - 4. Ligament
  - 5. Nerves
  - 6. Muscle
  - 7. Suture choice
  - 8. Closure choice
- J. Principles of wound healing
  - 1. Primary
  - 2. Secondary
  - 3. Tertiary
- K. Wound care
  - 1. General principles of wound management
    - a. skin substitutes
    - i. cellular and acellular tissue products
    - b. grafts and flaps
  - 2. Function and use of appropriate dressings
- L. Informed consent
  - 1. Principles
  - 2. Documentation

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Below are steps that outline how to access your online account, apply for, and schedule your APMLE Part III examination.

### **Important:**

- **Creating a new account is strictly prohibited. If you create multiple accounts, your exam results will be significantly delayed.**
- **Payment for examination fee must be made by credit card at time of scheduling.**

### **Step 1: Accessing your online account**

- A. Log in to your account (**Existing Users**)
- Visit <https://www.prometric.com/NBPME> and then select “Access My Account.”
  - From the Login Page, enter your existing username (email address) and password.

### **Step 2: Apply for your exam**

- B. Log into your Prometric account to view your Dashboard. Click on “Apply” next to the exam name under “Applications.”
- C. Complete your application.
  - o If you have graduated, you will be required to upload supporting documentation (transcript or diploma, and letter of approval, if required) during your application process.
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- D. Once you have completed your application, including uploading your documents (if required) click on “Submit.”
- E. Your application will then be submitted for approval.
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- G. Log into your Prometric account and click on “Schedule Now” next to the exam name under “Ready to schedule.”
- H. Select Test Center, Date & Time, and pay for your exam – This completes the scheduling process.
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