

## **Examination Committee 2018 Certification Cycle**

## **Composition**

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## **Purpose**

The purpose of the Exam Development Committee is to oversee the construction of the initial examination form, ensuring that items included are in an appropriate distribution according to the content outline (or examination blueprint). Specifically, the EC reviews all test items written during the Item Writing meeting for accuracy and relevance; categorizes questions within the content domains; reviews the psychometrics of test items and examinations (understand the process); and determines the passing score.

## **Scope and Timeline of Committee Work**

- ▶ The committee will participate in the Item Writing meeting in October 2017
- ► The committee will meet once in-person: winter 2017
- ▶ Materials will be provided in advance of each meeting which will require review and comment.
- ► Committee members will complete the examination as part of the pilot test and offer comments.