



First-Time Taker Pass Rates - Initial Certification

Certification Examination in Internal Medicine: 2012-2016 First-Time Taker Pass Rates

Key: # - Number of first-time takers; % - Percent Passing

Exam Area	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Internal Medicine	7303	85%	7482	86%	7601	87%	7839	89%	7853	90%

Subspecialty Certification Examinations: 2012-2016 First-Time Taker Pass Rates

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Exam Area	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Adult Congenital Heart Disease ⁽⁰⁾	--	--	--	--	--	--	225	83%	--	--
Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology ⁽¹⁾	287	83%	--	--	397	78%	--	--	182	93%
Cardiovascular Disease	879	92%	825	95%	847	90%	939	92%	893	93%
Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology	160	81%	141	86%	110	81%	127	79%	126	90%
Critical Care Medicine ⁽²⁾	600	94%	592	93%	596	92%	574	92%	771	95%
Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism	271	87%	280	89%	301	90%	307	90%	293	90%
Gastroenterology	456	94%	482	95%	492	92%	503	94%	492	98%
Geriatric Medicine ⁽³⁾	282	80%	296	86%	274	83%	271	82%	243	83%
Hematology	413	86%	466	83%	427	84%	445	81%	477	93%
Hospice and Palliative Medicine ⁽⁴⁾	3868	83%	--	--	384	85%	--	--	460	92%
Infectious Disease	342	95%	364	87%	361	88%	347	94%	348	98%
Interventional Cardiology	283	94%	311	92%	298	91%	302	87%	302	90%
Medical Oncology	513	90%	562	90%	562	88%	546	93%	582	98%
Nephrology	464	87%	440	87%	434	80%	457	89%	417	90%
Pulmonary Disease	500	96%	544	87%	535	84%	563	96%	569	98%
Rheumatology	196	90%	200	92%	208	89%	205	94%	232	93%
Sleep Medicine ⁽⁵⁾	--	--	349	90%	--	--	313	92%	--	--
Transplant Hepatology ⁽⁶⁾	68	94%	--	--	74	96%	--	--	92	96%

⁽⁰⁾ First administered in 2015. ⁽¹⁾ First administered in 2010.

⁽²⁾ Starting in 2012, this includes both American Board of Emergency Medicine and ABIM candidates.

⁽³⁾ Includes both American Board of Family Medicine and ABIM candidates.

⁽⁴⁾ First administered in 2008. Includes American Board of Anesthesiology, American Board of Emergency Medicine, American Board of Family Medicine, American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, American Board of Pediatrics, American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, American Board of Preventive Medicine, American Board of Radiology, American Board of Surgery and ABIM candidates. Candidates could not apply for the exam under the practice pathway starting in 2014.

⁽⁵⁾ First administered in 2007. Includes American Board of Anesthesiology, American Board of Family Medicine, American Board of Otolaryngology, American Board of Pediatrics, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, and ABIM candidates. Candidates could not apply for the exam under the practice pathway starting in 2013.

⁽⁶⁾ First administered in 2006. Includes only ABIM candidates.