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ABEM Oral Certification Exam Day Information

STEP 1: JOIN THE EXAM

Sign in to the Markey's Exam website. You will temporarily be placed in a waiting room and then routed to your exam room. Please have your photo ID available and wait there. An ABEM staff member will join you to complete your check-in. Take a moment to review all the information provided here to ensure you are prepared to take the exam.



If you get disconnected at any time, go back to the link from Markey's, sign in, and rejoin the session immediately.

If you lose internet, power, or have an emergency call ABEM at 517-420-4040.

STEP 2: REVIEW AGREEMENTS

- In accordance with ABEM policy, you must take today's examination alone and without any external assistance or sources of information.
- Your exam session is being recorded. By checking in to the exam you are consenting to being recorded. This recording may be used for training purposes.
- By checking into the exam, you are also agreeing to abide by <u>ABEM's Examination</u> <u>Irregularity Policy</u> and its associated <u>Key Messages</u>.

STEP 3: REMOVE PROHIBITED ITEMS FROM YOUR EXAM ROOM

Allowed Items

- Pen/pencil
- This ABEM Exam Packet, including supplied Common Abbreviations, Normal Lab Values and note sheets
- No more than 7 blank ABEM note sheets (or blank pieces of paper)
- Tissue with no writing
- Health aids, such as glasses and asthma inhalers. These items must not have electronic components.
- Nursing equipment and medical devices contingent upon approval of a courtesy accommodation.
- Cough drops or small snacks
- Water, coffee, beverages as needed

Prohibited Items

- Cell phones, watches, smartwatches, (active or turned off)
- More than one monitor or screen
- Additional computers and other electronic information storage devices of any kind
- Cameras or recording devices of any kind except for the camera on the computer being used to take the exam
- MP3 players, iPods, or any digital recorder or player
- Electronic storage devices, including watches or smartwatches with such functionality
- Notes or study materials (other than those provided by ABEM for the exam)
- Reference books or materials
- Purses, briefcases, or backpacks



Do not write on note sheets until the examiner starts the case. You will be asked to destroy note sheets after each case.

All items are subject to a request for inspection by ABEM.

STEP 4: COMPLY WITH THE ZOOM RULES



- Turn off any virtual background.
- Do not leave the Zoom Breakout room for the duration of your exam session.
- Leave your camera and audio on at all times, even during breaks.
- Close all open applications, tools, and software other than the Zoom meeting and your web browser with the Markey's Exam website. This includes closing all email, chat, and call apps.
- Turn off any notifications and set your device to do not disturb.

STEP 5: REVIEW THESE ZOOM TOOLS

Ask for Help

For questions or any problems during your exam use the "Ask for Help" button.

- Select "Breakout Rooms" on the bottom of the screen
- Select "Ask for Help"
- A staff member will join your exam room to assist you

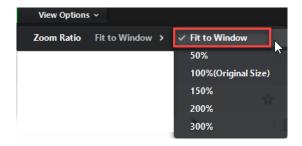


Viewing Options for Exam Materials

During the exam, the examiner will be sharing their screen with you to view exam materials. You may use "View Options" at the top of your screen to enlarge a stimulus when they are sharing their screen. You will only be able to see this option when the examiner is sharing their screen.

While you are zoomed in over 100%, you can click and drag the image. To re-set to the original view, choose "Fit to Window"

You can ask the examiner to view a stimulus again at any time during the case.



STEP 6: TAKE THE EXAM

- An announcement will be made three minutes before the case starts via a pop-up and an examiner will join you in the room shortly after to begin the case.
- You will have a 10-minute break after your fourth exam case.
- You may briefly leave the physical space you are in for a break, but it is your responsibility to return before your next case, and you may be subject to a security scan upon returning.
 (Remember: do not turn off your camera or microphone for the duration of the exam.)

STEP 7: STAY IN THE EXAM ROOM UNTIL YOU ARE RELEASED

- Do not leave the meeting until an ABEM staff person has formally released you. There is a short check-out process following your last case.
- You will be notified when exam scores have been posted. They will be available within 90 days of your exam date.



DO NOT divulge any exam information to anyone, including family or friends.

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ABEM ORAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION

Timed Exam Schedule for Candidates

All listed times are Eastern Time (ET)

Tuesday, April 16 - Only

| AFTERNOON SESSION | | | | |
|---|------------------|--|--|--|
| ARRIVAL | 2:45 p.m. | | | |
| CHECK-IN | 2:45 - 3:15 p.m. | | | |
| Case 1 | 3:30 - 3:45 p.m. | | | |
| Case 2 | 3:55 - 4:10 p.m. | | | |
| Case 3 | 4:20 - 4:35 p.m. | | | |
| Case 4 | 4:45 - 5:00 p.m. | | | |
| BREAK | | | | |
| Case 5 | 5:20 - 5:35 p.m. | | | |
| Case 6 | 5:45 - 6:00 p.m. | | | |
| Case 7 | 6:10 - 6:25 p.m. | | | |
| SESSION ENDS | 6:35 p.m. | | | |
| ABEM Staff will advise when you may leave the exam session. | | | | |

Wednesday, April 17, through Friday, April 19

| MORNING SESSION | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| ARRIVAL 9:15 a.m. | | | |
| CHECK-IN 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. | | | |
| Case 1 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. | | | |
| Case 2 10:25 - 10:40 a.m. | | | |
| Case 3 10:50 - 11:05 a.m. | | | |
| Case 4 11:15 - 11:30 a.m. | | | |
| BREAK | | | |
| Case 5 11:50 a.m 12:05 p.m. | | | |
| Case 6 12:15 - 12:30 p.m. | | | |
| Case 7 12:40 - 12:55 p.m. | | | |
| SESSION ENDS 1:05 p.m. | | | |
| ABEM Staff will advise when you may leave the exam session. | | | |

| AFTERNOON SESSION | | | | |
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| ARRIVAL 1:45 p.m. | | | | |
| CHECK-IN 1:45 - 2:15 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 1 2:30 - 2:45 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 2 2:55 - 3:10 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 3 3:20 - 3:35 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 4 3:45 - 4:00 p.m. | | | | |
| BREAK | | | | |
| Case 5 4:20 - 4:35 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 6 4:45 - 5:00 p.m. | | | | |
| Case 7 5:10 - 5:25 p.m. | | | | |
| SESSION ENDS 5:35 p.m. | | | | |
| ABEM Staff will advise when you may leave the exam session. | | | | |

NOTE: Time is reserved after each morning and afternoon session for a make-up session. You will be advised by ABEM Staff if you need to remain for a make-up session.

Time gaps between your cases gives ample time to account for check-ins and any technical troubleshooting or delays. We make every attempt to ensure all candidates have a smooth exam experience. Thank you for your patience.



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Normal Laboratory Values for Examinations

| | LABS | METRIC VALUES | S.I. UNIT VALUES | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Hematology | | | | | |
| | Hematocrit | 36-47% (female) | 0.36-0.47 (female) | | |
| | | 41-51% (male) | 0.41-0.51 (male) | | |
| | Hemoglobin | 12-16 g/dL (female) | 120-160 g/L (female) | | |
| | | 14-17 g/dL (male) | 140-170 g/L (male) | | |
| | Thrombocytes (platelets) | 150-450 x 10 ³ /mm ³ | 150-450 x 10 ⁹ /L | | |
| | White blood cells | 3,200-9,800/mm ³ | 3.2-9.8 x10 ⁹ /L | | |
| Clinical Chemistry | | | | | |
| | Alanine aminotransferase (ALT/SGPT) | 0-35 Units/L | 0-0.58 pkat/L | | |
| | Alkaline phosphatase | 36-92 Units/L | 0.5-1.5 microkat/L | | |
| | Ammonia | 10-80 mcg/dL | 12-55 micromoles/L | | |
| | Amylase | 0-130 Units/L | 0-2.17 microkat/L | | |
| | Aspartate aminotransferase (AST/SGOT) | 0-35 Units/L | 0-0.58 pkat/L | | |
| | Bilirubin | 0-0.3 mg/dL (direct) | 0-5.1 micromoles/L (direct) | | |
| | | 0.3-1.2 mg/dL (total) | 5.1-20.5 micromoles/L (total) | | |
| | Blood urea nitrogen (BUN) | 8-20 mg/dL | 2.9-7.1 mmol/L | | |
| | B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP) | <100 pg/mL | <100 ng/L | | |
| | Calcium | 9-10.5 mg/dL | 2.2-2.6 mmol/L | | |
| | Carbon dioxide | 23-28 mEq/L | 23-28 mmol/L | | |
| | Chloride | 98-106 mEq/L | 98-106 mmol/L | | |
| | Creatine phosphokinase (CPK) | 30-170 Units/L | 0.5-2.83 microkat/L | | |
| | Creatine phosphokinase | | | | |
| | MB fraction (CPK-MB) | 0-6% of total CPK | 0-0.06 fraction of total CPK | | |
| | Creatinine | 0.7-1.3 mg/dL | 61.9-115 micromoles/L | | |
| | D-dimer | 300 ng/mL | 300 mcg/L | | |
| | Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR) | 0-29 mm/hr (female) | | | |
| | | 0-22 mm/hr (male) | | | |
| | Glucose | 70-105 mg/dL | 3.9-5.8 mmol/L | | |
| | Lactate | 0.4-2.3 mEq/L | 0.4-2.3 mmol/L | | |
| | Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) | 60-160 Units/L | 1-1.67 microkat/L | | |
| | Lipase | <95 Units/L | <1.58 microkat/L | | |
| | Magnesium | 1.5-2.4 mg/dL | 0.62-0.99 mmol/L | | |
| | Osmolality | 275-295 mOsm/kg H ₂ O | 275-295 mmol/kg H ₂ O | | |
| | Phosphorus | 3.0-4.5 mg/dL | 0.97-1.45 mmol/L | | |
| | Potassium | 3.5-5.0 mEq/L | 3.5-5.0 mmol/L | | |
| | Prothrombin Time (PT) | 11-13 seconds | 11-13 seconds | | |
| | International normalized ratio (INR) | 0.8-1.2 | 0.8-1.2 | | |
| | Partial thromboplastin time (PTT) | 25-35 seconds | 25-35 seconds | | |
| | Sodium | 136-145 mEq/L | 136-145 mmol/L | | |
| | Troponin I | <0.1 ng/mL | <0.1 mcg/L | | |
| | Uric Acid | 2.5-8 mg/dL | 0.15-0.47 mmol/L | | |
| Arterial Blood Gases | | | | | |
| | pH | 7.37 - 7.44 | 7.37 - 7.44 | | |
| | pCO ₂ | 35 - 45 mm Hg | 4.67 - 6.00 kPa | | |
| | pO ₂ | 80 - 100 mm Hg | 10.67 – 13.33 kPa | | |
| | Bicarbonate (HCO ₃) | 22 - 26 mEq/L | 22 - 26 mmol/L | | |
| | O ₂ saturation | >95% | >95% | | |

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Provided for Reference Only Listed labs are not inclusive or examination-specific



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Common Abbreviations

GENERAL MEDICAL TERMS

ACE angiotensin converting enzyme ACLS advanced cardiac life support

AIDS acquired immune deficiency syndrome

ALT alanine aminotransferase
AST aspartate aminotransferase
BiPAP bi-level positive airway pressure

BNP brain natriuretic peptide BUN blood urea nitrogen CBC complete blood count

CK-MB creatine kinase-myocardial band

CNS central nervous system

COPD chronic obstructive pulmonary disease CPAP continuous positive airway pressure

CPR cardiopulmonary resuscitation

CSF cerebrospinal fluid

CT computerized tomography

ECG electrocardiogram

ED emergency department

EMS emergency medical services

EMT emergency medical technician

FAST focused assessment with sonography

for trauma

GI gastrointestinal

hCG human chorionic gonadotropin HIV human immunodeficiency virus

HPF high powered field ICU intensive care unit

INR international normalized ratio

MI myocardial infarction

MRI magnetic resonance imaging

NSAID nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug

OR operating room

PERRL pupils equal, round, reactive to light

PT prothrombin time

PTT partial thromboplastin time

RBC red blood cells

tPA tissue plasminogen activator

US ultrasound

WBC white blood cells

VITAL SIGNS

BP blood pressure

P pulse

R respirations T temperature

ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION

IM intramuscular IV intravenous

IVP intravenous push

po orally

PR per rectum

UNITS OF MEASURE

kg kilogram mg milligram g gram

mcg microgram pg picogram

m meter

cm centimeter

in inch

L liter
dL deciliter
mL milliliter

mm Hg millimeters of mercury

mEq milliequivalent

min minute
hr hour
WT weight
C centigrade
F Fahrenheit

