UNDERSTANDING THE CCHT SCORING PROCESS

SCORING THE CCHT EXAM

The Certified Clinical Hemodialysis Technician (CCHT) is a timed (3 hr) certification exam with 150 items (questions) covering the following four areas of dialysis:

1) Clinical
2) Technical
3) Environment
4) Role Responsibility

The number of items answered correctly generates a score referred to as the “raw score”. The raw score is then converted into a scaled score using a method similar to the weight conversion of pounds to kilograms. This is done so that scores can be directly compared from year to year and from test to test. In short, the scaled score equates the level of difficulty across all forms of the exam.

This scaled score is reported as the “standard score” on the CCHT Score Report.

THE STANDARD SCORE

The standard score summarizes the candidate’s overall performance across the four areas of dialysis mentioned above. The minimum passing standard score (standard score of 95) represents the same level of performance regardless of which form of the test is taken. A standard score of 95 indicates that a candidate answered 74% of the exam correctly.

BREAKDOWN OF SCORES

Candidates who are unsuccessful will receive a breakdown of scores on their score report. This breakdown shows the percent of items the candidate answered correctly in each category of the exam. Please note that the percentage of questions varies in accordance with the test blueprint:

1) Clinical (51% of the exam items)
2) Technical (24% of the exam items)
3) Environment (13% of the exam items)
4) Role Responsibility (12% of the exam items)