



Policy on Disruptive Behavior

BACKGROUND

This policy is intended to describe how ABEM will address any candidate's disruptive behavior at an examination.

POLICY

The Chief Examiner or ABEM designee has the right to remove a candidate from an examination because of disruptive behavior.

If a candidate is removed from an examination due to disruptive behavior, fees for ABEM candidates will be handled as defined in the ABEM Policy on Fees. The fees for candidates from other sponsor boards will be handled in accordance with the established policies of that sponsor board.

PROCEDURES

The examination for a disruptive candidate will be processed according to the Policy on Scoring Candidate Examinations using the test items answered at the time the candidate was removed from the examination.

The Chief Examiner or Chief Examiner Subcommittee will determine whether a candidate may reschedule his or her examination after consultation with on-site staff.

EXCEPTIONS

Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment (LLSA) Tests

Due to the nature of the Lifelong Learning Self Assessment (LLSA) component of the Emergency Medicine continuing certification and ABEM subspecialty continuing certification processes, this policy is not applicable to LLSA.

Continuing Certification Examinations

Due to the nature of Emergency Medicine and subspecialty continuing certification processes, this policy is not applicable to remote continuous certification examinations.

APPEALS

An ABEM candidate protest of the decision of the chief examiner or ABEM designee is guided by the Policy on Candidate Requests for Investigation of an ABEM examination. Interested candidates should refer to this policy. Candidates from other sponsor boards shall be handled in accordance with the established policies of the sponsor board.

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