



The latest on the Regulatory Exam – Practical Nurse

Providing you with the latest information about the new regulatory exam for LPN applicants, the REx-PN.

REx-PN Practice Exams now available!

NCSBN has created a set of two REx-PN practice exams that give the look and feel of a Computerized Adaptive Test (CAT).

- For \$150 USD, students get access to write two practice exams each containing 80 questions.
- Each practice exam can be attempted only once per purchase.
- They do not have to complete both at the same time, but they must be completed within 45 days of purchase.



This is a look and feel exam only — it is not a test to predict if someone will pass or fail the actual REx-PN when they write it. Upon completion of the practice exams, the writer will receive a score report with the percentage of questions they answered correctly — this is for information purposes only.

Access the practice exam now

READY TO VIEW: Video of the spring NCSBN Hands-On Item Writing Webinar

Missed the spring NSCBN webinar that provided educators with a hands-on opportunity to learn how to write Computerized Adaptive Testing (CAT) type questions? Attended the webinar, but want to review what you learned or share with your colleagues? A video recording of the event is now available on the NCSBN website. It joins three-other-NCSBN webinars designed to increase your understanding and your students' understanding of the REx-PN.

REx-PN Hands-On Item Writing

- overview of the principles of item writing
- guides participants to develop REx-PN style multiple choice items
- highlights REx-PN resources available

REx-PN CAT Style Exam

- how CAT works in REx-PN
- why candidates receive variable-length CAT exam
- how CAT exam assures content balancing
- how pass/fail decision is made

REx-PN Test Plan

- NCSBN undertakes a practice analysis every five years to analyze entry-level PN practice in Ontario and BC
- This forms the basis of the REx-PN Test Plan
- Webinar gives an overview of the 2019 REx-PN Practice Analysis & 2022 REx-PN Test Plan

REx-PN Item Development

- overview of the item development process
- explains the processes of item writing and item review
- links to valuable REx-PN resources

Seeking Item Writers

The British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives (BCCNM) is seeking item writers for the REx-PN, the new practical nursing (PN) exam. If you are:

- A nurse educator or faculty member who teaches in a recognized PN program in B.C.;
- An educator familiar with PN curriculum, including LPN entry-level competencies, and exam preparation or item writing;
- Registered with BCCNM in good standing;
- Employed as an RN, LPN, or RPN for at least two years;
- Able to commit four days of virtual panel meetings October 19-22, 2021.

Please email your name and up-to-date resume to PNexam@BCCNM.ca by 4:30 pm on August 13th.

IMPORTANT DATES: Deadlines for final CPNRE writings

There are two remaining test windows for the CPNRE before the REx-PN takes effect on Jan. 4, 2022. If students from your program will be eligible to write the registration exam prior to January 2022, please make them aware of the dates below (you can direct them to the <u>CPNRE page on our website</u>). Applications received after October 25 will be assessed for eligibility to write the REx-PN.

	Sept. 6-26 exam window	Nov. 8-28 exam window
Deadline to apply for accommodation	(deadline passed)	Sept. 8, 2021
Deadline to apply (including payment)	Aug. 23, 2021	Aug. 23, 2021
Deadline to receive transcripts from program	Aug. 23, 2021	Oct. 25, 2021

BCCNM: REX-PN FAQS

NCSBN: REx-PN



