



CANDIDATE: Candidate Name
EXAM: Certified Pediatric Hematology Oncology Nurse Examination
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Congratulations. You were successful in achieving a passing score on the CPHON® Examination. The chart below summarizes your performance in each content area of the examination, based on the portion of items you answered correctly within that topic.

Content Area (Weight)	Weaker	Stronger	ILNA Points Req.
Psychosocial Dimensions of Care (10)			no
Disease Related Biology (10)			yes
Treatment (23)			no
Supportive Care and Symptom Management (22)			yes
Pediatric Oncologic and Hematologic Emergencies (13)			no
Long-Term Follow-Up And Survivorship (8)			no
Health Maintenance (2)			yes
End Of Life Care (6)			yes
Professional Performance (6)			no

Please be sure to retain this report as it includes important information regarding your certification renewal in four years. Based on your performance, you will be required to attain professional development points in the content areas marked “yes” in the table above. The number of points required can be found in parentheses under the heading **Content Area (Weight)**. These numbers are derived from the test blueprint, based on the percentage weighting of each content area on the examination.

Please note that the minimum number of points required for certification renewal is 25. Therefore, if the total of your required points is less than 25, you may attain the additional points in any pediatric hematology/oncology content area of your choosing, as long as it appears on the test blueprint of the examination you took. You will be required to provide documentation of the points earned when you submit your renewal application in four years. Please go to www.oncc.org to learn more about certification renewal through the Individual Learning Needs Assessment (ILNA).



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT YOUR CPHON® EXAMINATION SCORES

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HOW WAS THE PASSING SCORE DETERMINED?

The passing score was established via a systematic procedure (Cut-score Study) that employed the judgment of members of the CPHON® Passing Score Task Force, a panel of pediatric hematology/oncology certified nurses with diverse representation of roles, specialties, and geographic locations. The process was facilitated by testing experts. Because different forms of the CPHON® Examination may vary in difficulty, the number of correctly answered items required to pass may vary from form to form. The score required to pass a more difficult form of the examination would be lower than the score required to pass an easier form. Therefore, only pass-fail scores are provided.

WHAT WILL YOUR SCORE REPORT TELL YOU?

All candidates (pass and fail) are provided with a bar graph that shows the proportion of items they answered correctly within each major content area of the examination. This information is provided solely as a diagnostic tool to help guide future study and professional development.

HOW SHOULD SCORE REPORT INFORMATION BE USED?

Candidates who fail the certification examination may use the diagnostic report to identify areas in which further study is needed before retaking the examination. Candidates who pass the examination will use the information in their score reports to determine the content areas in which professional development points must be earned in order to renew certification in four years, using the Independent Learning Needs Assessment (ILNA) option. This option replaces what is currently known as the Oncology Nursing Certification Points Renewal Option (ONCPRO). Beginning with the candidates who become certified or renew certification in 2012 (i.e. those due to renew certification in 2016), ONCPRO will no longer be an option for certification renewal. As of 2016, ONCPRO is being replaced with ILNA, which targets the specific content of the professional development that candidates must earn.

WHAT IS THE ILNA OPTION FOR CERTIFICATION RENEWAL?

The ILNA option requires that candidates earn professional development points in categories such as continuing education (CNE or CME), academic education, publications or presentations, and only in the specific content areas defined by their performance on the certification examination (first cycle) or an online assessment (subsequent cycles).

When a candidate passes the certification examination, the diagnostic section of their score report will indicate “yes” or “no” under the “ILNA Points Required” column for each content area of the examination. This yes-no classification is made by comparing the portion of correct answers in each content area to a minimum level that has been set by the ONCC Board of Directors and which is the same for all content areas. Within the four-year certification period, the candidate will be required to attain the specified number of professional development points in those content areas in which “yes” is indicated. Candidates will be required to provide documentation that they have earned the required number of points in the indicated content areas when they apply for certification renewal. The number of points required in each content area is determined by the weighting of the content area on the examination. For example, if a candidate’s score reflects that he/she needs to attain professional development points in an area that is weighted at 10% of the examination, the candidates will be required to attain 10 points in that content area. ILNA points, like ONCPRO points, are based on one hour of continuing education; points in other categories, such as academic education, are assigned a corresponding point value.

For candidates who do not wish to use ILNA, there are two other options for certification renewal: 1) re-take and pass the certification examination prior to the credential expiration, or 2) provide documentation of earning 100 professional development points, distributed among all content areas of the test blueprint in the percentages indicated in the blueprint.

The content areas covered in the CPHON® Examination are listed below:

Content Area (Weight)

- Psychosocial Dimensions of Care (10%)
- Disease Related Biology (10%)
- Treatment (23%)
- Supportive Care and Symptom Management (22%)
- Pediatric Oncologic and Hematologic Emergencies (13%)
- Long-Term Follow-Up And Survivorship (8%)
- Health Maintenance (2%)
- End Of Life Care (6%)
- Professional Performance (6%)

For more information about ILNA, candidates should visit the ONCC website at www.oncc.org.

IF I TOOK ANOTHER VERSION OF THE CPHON® EXAMINATION, WOULD I OBTAIN THE SAME SCORE?

If you took another version of the CPHON® Examination, you probably would obtain a slightly different score from the one you received on this version. No test measures performance with perfect accuracy and consistency. If you took several different versions of the test, you would probably obtain a number of different scores that cluster around a typical or average value. Some of your scores would be higher and some would be lower than your average score.