



OBJECTIVE STRUCTURED CLINICAL EXAMINATION (OSCE) FAQs

1. Who will take the OSCE component of the APPLIED Examination?

- If you complete residency training **on or after Oct. 1, 2016**, you must pass both the Standardized Oral Examination (SOE) and the OSCE to satisfy the APPLIED Examination requirement.
- If you complete residency training **between June 30 and Sept. 30, 2016**, you will not be required to take the OSCE component of the APPLIED Examination. You will only be required to pass the SOE component to satisfy the APPLIED Examination requirement.

2. When will the OSCE component launch?

The OSCEs launched in March 2018.

3. How soon can I register for the APPLIED Exam with the OSCE component?

You can register for the APPLIED Exam with the OSCE component after you pass the ADVANCED Examination.

4. Where will I take the OSCEs?

The APPLIED Examination will be administered at our Assessment Center in Raleigh, N.C.

5. Will I take the SOE and OSCE components on the same day?

Yes, you will take both components on the same day. The OSCE portion of the APPLIED Exam will take 84 minutes from start to finish. The total time to complete both the SOE and OSCE components, including registration, orientation and a 10-minute break between components, is four hours and 20 minutes. Click [here](#) to see the [administration schedule](#).

6. How many skills will you test in the OSCE component?

You will participate in a seven-station circuit that will evaluate your proficiency in seven of the nine skills listed in the OSCE Content Outline. Click [here](#) to [view the content outline](#) and [here](#) to [view the OSCE overview video](#), which includes short excerpts of several scenarios.

7. How long is each OSCE scenario, and will I have any time between each one to prepare for the next one?

Each scenario will be eight minutes long, and you will have four minutes between stations to review your next scenario.

8. Will an examiner be in each OSCE room?

In some exam rooms, you will interact with a standardized patient actor as part of the scenario. In others, you will interact directly with an examiner, but examiners will not be in most exam rooms.

9. What happens if I pass the SOE component, but fail the OSCE component of the APPLIED Exam or vice-versa?

You must pass both components of the exam to become board certified. However, if you fail one component of the exam, you will retake only that component.

10. How much will the APPLIED Examination cost?

The registration fee for the APPLIED Examination is \$2,100.