

# NBCE Part IV Exam

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- **First national practical examination**
  - **First single-path licensure**
- **78,299 total number of Part IV examinees**

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Replaces state practical examination for licensure  
Content based on the NBCE Practice analysis (2020)

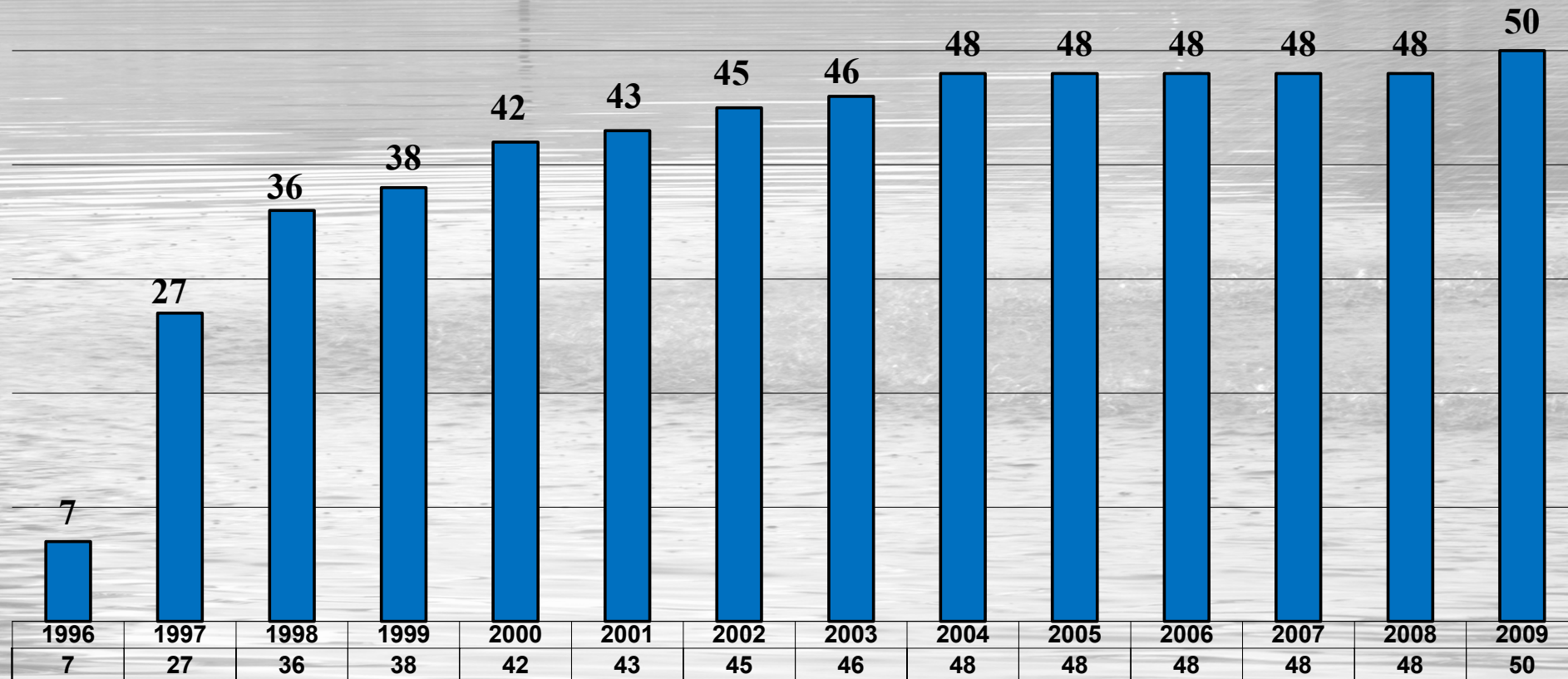
- ❑ Defines chiropractic practice
- ❑ Assists chiropractic legislation

## Content Areas

Chiropractic Technique

Chiropractic Case Management

# NBCE Part IV Exam State Acceptance



# NBCE Part IV Exam Development

- ❑ CAM, and TEC cases are developed during NBCE Item Writing Workshops by NBCE chiropractic subject specialists
- ❑ Cases are selected by State Licensing Board representatives
- ❑ All cases are reviewed and pretested by chiropractors and SMEs

# NBCE Part IV Exam Logistics

## 14 Test Sites

- ❑ 72 Key personnel
- ❑ 306 Chiropractic examiners
- ❑ 335 Proctors
- ❑ 357 Standardized patients
- ❑ 146 Chiropractic technique patients
- ❑ 70 Maintenance & Security personnel

**1286 Total Administrative Personnel**

# NBCE Part IV Exam Scoring

- ❑ 50,000 answer sheets scanned
- ❑ Diagnostic analysis of CAM and TEC
- ❑ Post-exam committee review
- ❑ Key changes and form adjustments
- ❑ Panel review
- ❑ Review site comments
- ❑ Review candidates letters of concern

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## **Part IV Advancement and Development Project**



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- ❑ **Comprehensive Examinee-Guided Station Format:** Combining the single-point stations (Case history, Ortho/Neuro, Physical exam, and Technique) into one comprehensive station that better mimics a real-world patient encounter.
- ❑ **Adding a Documentation Component:** Examinees would be required to create a patient note (after the patient-encounter station) documenting their findings, assessment, and plan for that patient.
- ❑ **More External Contribution to Item Development:** Develop a method for collecting exam content from a wider variety of people within the chiropractic community (academics, practicing DCs, and state board members).
- ❑ **Adding Video Recording to Stations:** Requiring patient-encounter rooms to be set up with video recording equipment that can accurately capture the examinee's performance for remote review.
- ❑ **Moving DIM to Written Exams:** Since DIM is a Computer-Based Test (CBT), we could incorporate the content into the Part III exam, eliminating the Friday testing day.
- ❑ **Eliminating Cross Country Sequestration:** Removing the sequestration requirement, which currently requires us to hold examinees until the exam is completed across the country.
- ❑ **Patient Grading Component:** Standardized patients rate the examinee on the "humanistic" components of the station.
- ❑ **Paperless Exam:** Adding computerized testing equipment for the examinees and evaluators to eliminate scantron answer sheets.

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**Questions?**