



UNITED STATES MEDICAL LICENSING EXAMINATION™

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STEP 3 SCORE REPORT

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The USMLE is a single examination program for all applicants for medical licensure in the United States; it replaces the Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX) and the certifying examinations of the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME Parts I, II and III). The program consists of three Steps designed to assess an examinee's understanding of and ability to apply concepts and principles that are important in health and disease and that constitute the basis of safe and effective patient care. **Step 3** is designed to assess whether an examinee possesses the medical knowledge and understanding of clinical science considered essential for the unsupervised practice of medicine, with an emphasis on patient management in ambulatory-care settings. Results of the examination are reported to medical licensing authorities in the United States and its territories for use in granting an initial license to practice medicine. The two numeric scores shown below are equivalent; each state or territory may use either score in making licensing decisions. These scores represent your results for the administration of Step 3 on the test date shown above.

PASS

This result is based on the minimum passing score recommended by USMLE for Step 3. Individual licensing authorities may accept the USMLE-recommended pass/fail result or may establish a different passing score for their own jurisdictions.

204

This score is determined by your overall performance on the examination. The score scale is defined to have a mean of 200 and a standard deviation of 20 based on the projected performance of recent graduates from medical schools accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). Most examinees receive a score between 140 and 260. The standard error of measurement (SEM)[‡] for a USMLE three-digit scale is usually in the range of 4 to 5 points.

83

This score is also determined by your overall performance on the examination. A score of 82 on this scale is equivalent to a score of 200 on the scale described above. A score of 75 on this scale represents the minimum pass score recommended by USMLE to pass Step 3 and is equivalent to the score printed below. The SEM[‡] for a USMLE two-digit scale is usually in the area of 1 point.

The three-digit score recommended to pass Step 3:

176

[‡]Your score is influenced both by your general understanding of clinical medicine and by the specific set of items selected for this Step 3 examination. The standard error of measurement (SEM) provides an estimate of the range within which your scores might be expected to vary by chance if you were tested repeatedly using similar tests.