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Dear Audiology Preparation Program,

The Praxis® Audiology test will be changing in September and new information is included to assist you in the transition. The current Praxis Audiology (5342) test has been regenerated and will be replaced by the **Praxis Audiology 5343 test**. This exam now aligns with the 2020 Standards and Implementation Procedures for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology® approved by the Council for Clinical Certification in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CFCC) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). The new 2020 standards, informed by a Practice and Curriculum Analysis, can be found on the ASHA website at <https://www.asha.org/Certification/2020-Audiology-Certification-Standards/>.

This February, 14 practicing audiologists and faculty from 10 states and Washington D.C. met at ETS in Princeton, NJ to review the new exam and recommend a required passing score for beginning audiologists. In April, the CFCC Audiology Committee met virtually and reviewed the results from this standard setting study along with the new test blueprint. The Committee and CFCC unanimously approved the Recommended Study Value, a score of 162 on a 100-200 scale that resulted from study panelists' decisions.

Therefore, the CFCC will establish 162 on a 100-200 scale as its minimum passing score requirement for the Audiology test (5343) effective September 1, 2020. Candidates will need to meet or exceed this minimum passing score as a component of achieving their Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology (CCC-A). State boards of licensing will also be adopting the ASHA required passing score of 162.

Although most licensing entities will move to the new test starting September 1, 2020, the current Audiology test (5342) be available through August 2021.



The preparation page for the new test will launch in mid-July.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nicholas Bellack". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nicholas" and last name "Bellack" clearly legible.

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