Clinical Shelf Exam Policy

Clerkships will administer the NBME subject examination (if available) or a similar comprehensive written examination.

This examination should comprise between 20-30% of the final clerkship grade.

Clerkships should set a minimum exam score for receipt of an A. A student who otherwise would have numerically received an A but has a score less than the threshold score will receive a B.

Clerkships should set a minimum score for receipt of a passing grade. A student who otherwise would have numerically received an C or higher but has a score less than the threshold score will receive a D. D is not a passing grade and requires remediation. If remediation is successfully completed a grade of C* is assigned. Remediation is to be determined by the clerkship and might consist of retaking the subject exam, an oral exam administered by the clerkship director or a separate written departmental exam.

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