

PRACTICE EXAM 12: NAMSS CPCS SIMULATION (150 QUESTIONS)

This practice exam contains 150 multiple-choice questions aligned to the 2026 NAMSS CPCS content outline. Allow three hours for the two-part simulation. Select the single best answer for each item. An optional 15-minute break may be taken between parts. The official CPCS passing standard is a scaled score of 400; this independent practice exam is not an official NAMSS examination.

1. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an application contains an unexplained work-history gap. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?
 - A. Staff accept the signed application as sufficient under the documented policy and documented the disposition
 - B. Staff ask a peer to estimate the missing period with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
 - C. Staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete and recorded the final disposition
 - D. Staff defer the issue until reappointment while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

2. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an application contains an unexplained work-history gap. What documentation is required before presentation?
 - A. Evidence that staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete
 - B. Evidence that staff accept the signed application as sufficient with recorded supervisory review
 - C. Evidence that staff ask a peer to estimate the missing period
 - D. Evidence that staff defer the issue until reappointment while maintaining a traceable audit record

3. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where an application contains an unexplained work-history gap. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. accept the signed application as sufficient under the documented policy
- B. Obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete
- C. ask a peer to estimate the missing period
- D. defer the issue until reappointment while maintaining a traceable audit record

4. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which an application contains an unexplained work-history gap. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff accept the signed application as sufficient under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff ask a peer to estimate the missing period with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff defer the issue until reappointment while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

5. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a practitioner reports an active state license. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff accept a practitioner-supplied copy under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff use the curriculum vitae as verification with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff ask another hospital to confirm the copy through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff verify current status directly with the issuing board and recorded the final disposition

6. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a practitioner reports an active state license. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff verify current status directly with the issuing board
- B. Evidence that staff accept a practitioner-supplied copy with recorded supervisory review

- C. Evidence that staff use the curriculum vitae as verification
- D. Evidence that staff ask another hospital to confirm the copy

7. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a practitioner reports an active state license. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. accept a practitioner-supplied copy under the documented policy
- B. use the curriculum vitae as verification with recorded supervisory review
- C. Verify current status directly with the issuing board
- D. ask another hospital to confirm the copy while maintaining a traceable audit record

8. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a practitioner reports an active state license. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff accept a practitioner-supplied copy under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff use the curriculum vitae as verification with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff ask another hospital to confirm the copy through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff verify current status directly with the issuing board and retained evidence of completion

9. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a diploma copy is the only evidence of medical education. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff treat the copy as primary-source verification under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff verify education with the school or an accepted equivalent source and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff have the department chair authenticate it through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff replace education verification with a reference while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

10. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a diploma copy is the only evidence of medical education. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff verify education with the school or an accepted equivalent source
- B. Evidence that staff treat the copy as primary-source verification with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff have the department chair authenticate it through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff replace education verification with a reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

11. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a diploma copy is the only evidence of medical education. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. treat the copy as primary-source verification under the documented policy
- B. have the department chair authenticate it with recorded supervisory review
- C. replace education verification with a reference through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Verify education with the school or an accepted equivalent source

12. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a diploma copy is the only evidence of medical education. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff verify education with the school or an accepted equivalent source and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff treat the copy as primary-source verification with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff have the department chair authenticate it through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff replace education verification with a reference while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

13. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which requested privileges exceed documented training. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff grant the privileges based on appointment eligibility under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff approve them until the next cycle with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff obtain evidence of training and current competence for the requested scope and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff rely only on workforce need while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

14. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that requested privileges exceed documented training. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff grant the privileges based on appointment eligibility under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff obtain evidence of training and current competence for the requested scope
- C. Evidence that staff approve them until the next cycle through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff rely only on workforce need while maintaining a traceable audit record

15. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where requested privileges exceed documented training. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. Obtain evidence of training and current competence for the requested scope
- B. grant the privileges based on appointment eligibility with recorded supervisory review
- C. approve them until the next cycle through the authorized committee pathway
- D. rely only on workforce need while maintaining a traceable audit record

16. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which requested privileges exceed documented training. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff grant the privileges based on appointment eligibility under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff obtain evidence of training and current competence for the requested scope and retained evidence of completion

- C. Staff approve them until the next cycle through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff rely only on workforce need while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

17. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a reappointment file shows an expired required license. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff use the license verified at initial appointment under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff approve first and verify afterward with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff substitute board certification for licensure through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff resolve current licensure and apply policy before favorable action and recorded the final disposition

18. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a reappointment file shows an expired required license. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff use the license verified at initial appointment
- B. Evidence that staff approve first and verify afterward with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff resolve current licensure and apply policy before favorable action
- D. Evidence that staff substitute board certification for licensure while maintaining a traceable audit record

19. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a reappointment file shows an expired required license. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. use the license verified at initial appointment under the documented policy
- B. Resolve current licensure and apply policy before favorable action
- C. approve first and verify afterward through the authorized committee pathway
- D. substitute board certification for licensure while maintaining a traceable audit record

20. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a reappointment file shows an expired required license. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff use the license verified at initial appointment under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff approve first and verify afterward with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff resolve current licensure and apply policy before favorable action and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff substitute board certification for licensure while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

21. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which two sources report conflicting malpractice histories. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff use the newest response without comparison under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff delete the unfavorable response with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff send the unresolved packet to the committee through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff reconcile the discrepancy with authoritative information and practitioner clarification and recorded the final disposition

22. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that two sources report conflicting malpractice histories. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff reconcile the discrepancy with authoritative information and practitioner clarification
- B. Evidence that staff use the newest response without comparison with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff delete the unfavorable response through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff send the unresolved packet to the committee

23. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where two sources report conflicting malpractice histories. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. use the newest response without comparison under the documented policy
- B. Reconcile the discrepancy with authoritative information and practitioner clarification
- C. delete the unfavorable response through the authorized committee pathway
- D. send the unresolved packet to the committee while maintaining a traceable audit record

24. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which two sources report conflicting malpractice histories. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff use the newest response without comparison under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff delete the unfavorable response with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff send the unresolved packet to the committee through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff reconcile the discrepancy with authoritative information and practitioner clarification and retained evidence of completion

25. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which the application lacks a signed attestation. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff obtain the required signed and dated attestation and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff allow staff to sign for the applicant with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff treat ordinary email as an attestation through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff waive attestation after favorable references while maintaining a traceable audit record

26. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that the application lacks a signed attestation. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff allow staff to sign for the applicant
- B. Evidence that staff treat ordinary email as an attestation

- C. Evidence that staff obtain the required signed and dated attestation
- D. Evidence that staff waive attestation after favorable references

27. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where the application lacks a signed attestation. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. allow staff to sign for the applicant under the documented policy
- B. treat ordinary email as an attestation with recorded supervisory review
- C. Obtain the required signed and dated attestation through the authorized committee pathway
- D. waive attestation after favorable references while maintaining a traceable audit record

28. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which the application lacks a signed attestation. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff obtain the required signed and dated attestation and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff allow staff to sign for the applicant with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff treat ordinary email as an attestation through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff waive attestation after favorable references while maintaining a traceable audit record

29. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which specialty-board certification must be confirmed. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff rely on a photograph of the certificate under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff query the board or its officially designated verification source and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff accept the claim on the resume through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff ask a colleague in the specialty while maintaining a traceable audit record

30. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that specialty-board certification must be confirmed. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff rely on a photograph of the certificate
- B. Evidence that staff accept the claim on the resume with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff ask a colleague in the specialty through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff query the board or its officially designated verification source

31. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where specialty-board certification must be confirmed. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. rely on a photograph of the certificate under the documented policy
- B. accept the claim on the resume with recorded supervisory review
- C. ask a colleague in the specialty through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Query the board or its officially designated verification source

32. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which specialty-board certification must be confirmed. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff rely on a photograph of the certificate under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff accept the claim on the resume with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff query the board or its officially designated verification source and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff ask a colleague in the specialty while maintaining a traceable audit record

33. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a prior hospital affiliation is listed. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff assume good standing from silence under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff verify affiliation and relevant history with an accepted source and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff use an internet directory alone through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition

D. Staff omit an out-of-state affiliation while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

34. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a prior hospital affiliation is listed. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff verify affiliation and relevant history with an accepted source
- B. Evidence that staff assume good standing from silence with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff use an internet directory alone through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff omit an out-of-state affiliation while maintaining a traceable audit record

35. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a prior hospital affiliation is listed. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. assume good standing from silence under the documented policy
- B. Verify affiliation and relevant history with an accepted source
- C. use an internet directory alone through the authorized committee pathway
- D. omit an out-of-state affiliation while maintaining a traceable audit record

36. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a prior hospital affiliation is listed. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff assume good standing from silence under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff use an internet directory alone with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff omit an out-of-state affiliation through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff verify affiliation and relevant history with an accepted source and retained evidence of completion

37. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a committee packet is incomplete. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff recommend approval from favorable items under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff replace missing evidence with oral assurance with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff defer the file until required elements are complete and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff let the applicant waive the requirements while maintaining a traceable audit record

38. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a committee packet is incomplete. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff defer the file until required elements are complete
- B. Evidence that staff recommend approval from favorable items with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff replace missing evidence with oral assurance
- D. Evidence that staff let the applicant waive the requirements

39. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a committee packet is incomplete. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. recommend approval from favorable items under the documented policy
- B. Defer the file until required elements are complete
- C. replace missing evidence with oral assurance through the authorized committee pathway
- D. let the applicant waive the requirements while maintaining a traceable audit record

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- A. Staff defer the file until required elements are complete and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff recommend approval from favorable items with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff replace missing evidence with oral assurance through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff let the applicant waive the requirements while maintaining a traceable audit record

41. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an applicant discloses disciplinary action. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff deny automatically without review under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff ignore the disclosure if the license is active with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff change the response after a favorable interview through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff obtain authoritative details and evaluate them under policy and recorded the final disposition

42. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an applicant discloses disciplinary action. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff deny automatically without review under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff ignore the disclosure if the license is active
- C. Evidence that staff obtain authoritative details and evaluate them under policy
- D. Evidence that staff change the response after a favorable interview

43. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where an applicant discloses disciplinary action. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. deny automatically without review under the documented policy
- B. ignore the disclosure if the license is active
- C. change the response after a favorable interview through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Obtain authoritative details and evaluate them under policy

44. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which an applicant discloses disciplinary action. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff deny automatically without review under the documented policy and documented the disposition

- B. Staff obtain authoritative details and evaluate them under policy and retained evidence of completion
- C. Staff ignore the disclosure if the license is active through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff change the response after a favorable interview while maintaining a traceable audit record

45. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which temporary privileges are requested for convenience. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff grant them whenever scheduling is difficult under the documented policy
- B. Staff treat them as automatic appointment with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff apply the organization's limited temporary-privilege criteria and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff skip verification because duration is short while maintaining a traceable audit record

46. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that temporary privileges are requested for convenience. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff apply the organization's limited temporary-privilege criteria
- B. Evidence that staff grant them whenever scheduling is difficult
- C. Evidence that staff treat them as automatic appointment
- D. Evidence that staff skip verification because duration is short

47. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where temporary privileges are requested for convenience. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. Apply the organization's limited temporary-privilege criteria under the documented policy
- B. grant them whenever scheduling is difficult with recorded supervisory review
- C. treat them as automatic appointment through the authorized committee pathway
- D. skip verification because duration is short while maintaining a traceable audit record

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- A. Staff grant them whenever scheduling is difficult under the documented policy
- B. Staff treat them as automatic appointment with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff skip verification because duration is short through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff apply the organization's limited temporary-privilege criteria and retained evidence of completion

49. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a low-volume practitioner seeks reappointment. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff assume competence from initial training under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff terminate membership solely for low volume with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff use alternative competency evidence permitted by approved criteria and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff use age as a performance measure while maintaining a traceable audit record

50. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a low-volume practitioner seeks reappointment. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff assume competence from initial training under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff use alternative competency evidence permitted by approved criteria
- C. Evidence that staff terminate membership solely for low volume
- D. Evidence that staff use age as a performance measure

51. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a low-volume practitioner seeks reappointment. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. assume competence from initial training under the documented policy
- B. terminate membership solely for low volume with recorded supervisory review
- C. use age as a performance measure through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Use alternative competency evidence permitted by approved criteria

52. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a low-volume practitioner seeks reappointment. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff assume competence from initial training under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff terminate membership solely for low volume with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff use alternative competency evidence permitted by approved criteria and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff use age as a performance measure while maintaining a traceable audit record

53. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an applicant amends a response after submission. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff retain a dated amendment and evaluate the new information and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff replace the original without an audit trail with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff ignore the change until reappointment through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff require an entirely blank new application while maintaining a traceable audit record

54. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an applicant amends a response after submission. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff replace the original without an audit trail
- B. Evidence that staff retain a dated amendment and evaluate the new information
- C. Evidence that staff ignore the change until reappointment through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff require an entirely blank new application while maintaining a traceable audit record

55. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where an applicant amends a response after submission. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. replace the original without an audit trail under the documented policy
- B. ignore the change until reappointment with recorded supervisory review
- C. Retain a dated amendment and evaluate the new information
- D. require an entirely blank new application while maintaining a traceable audit record

56. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which an applicant amends a response after submission. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff replace the original without an audit trail under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff ignore the change until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff require an entirely blank new application through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff retain a dated amendment and evaluate the new information and retained evidence of completion

57. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a CVO supplies a verification report. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff confirm the CVO's methods satisfy organizational acceptance criteria and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff assume every external report is acceptable with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff treat the report as committee approval through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff remove all internal quality controls while maintaining a traceable audit record

58. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a CVO supplies a verification report. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff assume every external report is acceptable
- B. Evidence that staff confirm the CVO's methods satisfy organizational acceptance criteria
- C. Evidence that staff treat the report as committee approval

D. Evidence that staff remove all internal quality controls while maintaining a traceable audit record

59. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a CVO supplies a verification report. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. assume every external report is acceptable under the documented policy
- B. treat the report as committee approval with recorded supervisory review
- C. remove all internal quality controls through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Confirm the cvo's methods satisfy organizational acceptance criteria

60. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a CVO supplies a verification report. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff confirm the CVO's methods satisfy organizational acceptance criteria and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff assume every external report is acceptable with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff treat the report as committee approval through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff remove all internal quality controls while maintaining a traceable audit record

61. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a peer reference lists only acquaintance dates. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff count the returned form as sufficient under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff ask the applicant to summarize it with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff seek relevant information about competence and professional performance and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff substitute a personal character reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

62. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a peer reference lists only acquaintance dates. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff count the returned form as sufficient
- B. Evidence that staff seek relevant information about competence and professional performance
- C. Evidence that staff ask the applicant to summarize it
- D. Evidence that staff substitute a personal character reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

63. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a peer reference lists only acquaintance dates. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. Seek relevant information about competence and professional performance
- B. count the returned form as sufficient with recorded supervisory review
- C. ask the applicant to summarize it through the authorized committee pathway
- D. substitute a personal character reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

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- A. Staff count the returned form as sufficient under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff ask the applicant to summarize it with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff substitute a personal character reference through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff seek relevant information about competence and professional performance and retained evidence of completion

65. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which names differ across verification responses. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff assume every record belongs to the applicant under the documented policy and documented the disposition

- B. Staff resolve identity with documented name history and reliable identifiers and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff discard records using a former name through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff create a separate practitioner file while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

66. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that names differ across verification responses. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff assume every record belongs to the applicant
- B. Evidence that staff discard records using a former name with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff resolve identity with documented name history and reliable identifiers
- D. Evidence that staff create a separate practitioner file while maintaining a traceable audit record

67. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where names differ across verification responses. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. assume every record belongs to the applicant under the documented policy
- B. discard records using a former name with recorded supervisory review
- C. create a separate practitioner file through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Resolve identity with documented name history and reliable identifiers

68. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which names differ across verification responses. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff assume every record belongs to the applicant under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff resolve identity with documented name history and reliable identifiers and retained evidence of completion
- C. Staff discard records using a former name through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition

D. Staff create a separate practitioner file while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

69. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a practitioner refuses required information authorization. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

A. Staff follow policy for an application that cannot be verified and recorded the final disposition

B. Staff approve from the resume with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition

C. Staff invent substitute credentials through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition

D. Staff ignore authorization restrictions while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

70. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a practitioner refuses required information authorization. What documentation is required before presentation?

A. Evidence that staff approve from the resume under the documented policy

B. Evidence that staff invent substitute credentials with recorded supervisory review

C. Evidence that staff follow policy for an application that cannot be verified

D. Evidence that staff ignore authorization restrictions while maintaining a traceable audit record

71. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a practitioner refuses required information authorization. Which response should be scored as correct?

A. approve from the resume under the documented policy

B. Follow policy for an application that cannot be verified

C. invent substitute credentials through the authorized committee pathway

D. ignore authorization restrictions while maintaining a traceable audit record

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- A. Staff follow policy for an application that cannot be verified and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff approve from the resume with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff invent substitute credentials through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff ignore authorization restrictions while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

73. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an adverse NPDB report is received. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff deny every privilege automatically under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff remove the report after printing with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff ignore it because it was disclosed through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff evaluate it with the practitioner's explanation and relevant evidence and recorded the final disposition

74. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an adverse NPDB report is received. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff deny every privilege automatically under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff remove the report after printing with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff evaluate it with the practitioner's explanation and relevant evidence
- D. Evidence that staff ignore it because it was disclosed while maintaining a traceable audit record

75. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where an adverse NPDB report is received. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. deny every privilege automatically under the documented policy
- B. Evaluate it with the practitioner's explanation and relevant evidence
- C. remove the report after printing through the authorized committee pathway

D. ignore it because it was disclosed while maintaining a traceable audit record

76. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which an adverse NPDB report is received. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

A. Staff deny every privilege automatically under the documented policy and documented the disposition

B. Staff remove the report after printing with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition

C. Staff evaluate it with the practitioner's explanation and relevant evidence and retained evidence of completion

D. Staff ignore it because it was disclosed while maintaining a traceable audit record

77. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a current appointee requests a new privilege. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

A. Staff add it because membership is current under the documented policy and documented the disposition

B. Staff wait automatically until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition

C. Staff allow practice before review through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition

D. Staff process the request under approved criteria and competency requirements and recorded the final disposition

78. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a current appointee requests a new privilege. What documentation is required before presentation?

A. Evidence that staff process the request under approved criteria and competency requirements

B. Evidence that staff add it because membership is current with recorded supervisory review

C. Evidence that staff wait automatically until reappointment through the authorized committee pathway

D. Evidence that staff allow practice before review while maintaining a traceable audit record

79. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a current appointee requests a new privilege. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. Process the request under approved criteria and competency requirements
- B. add it because membership is current with recorded supervisory review
- C. wait automatically until reappointment through the authorized committee pathway
- D. allow practice before review while maintaining a traceable audit record

80. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a current appointee requests a new privilege. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff add it because membership is current under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff wait automatically until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff allow practice before review through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff process the request under approved criteria and competency requirements and retained evidence of completion

81. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a training program does not answer verification requests. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff record training as verified without qualification under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff use an accepted equivalent source if permitted and document all efforts and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff delete the training requirement through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff accept the diploma as automatically equivalent while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

82. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a training program does not answer verification requests. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff record training as verified without qualification under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff delete the training requirement with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Evidence that staff use an accepted equivalent source if permitted and document all efforts
- D. Evidence that staff accept the diploma as automatically equivalent while maintaining a traceable audit record

83. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a training program does not answer verification requests. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. record training as verified without qualification under the documented policy
- B. delete the training requirement with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. accept the diploma as automatically equivalent through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Use an accepted equivalent source if permitted and document all efforts

84. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a training program does not answer verification requests. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff record training as verified without qualification under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff use an accepted equivalent source if permitted and document all efforts and retained evidence of completion
- C. Staff delete the training requirement through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff accept the diploma as automatically equivalent while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

85. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a department chair recommends an exception to privilege criteria. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff treat the chair's recommendation as final under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff rewrite criteria in the applicant's file with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff route the exception through the adopted approval process and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff ignore evidence of current competence while maintaining a traceable audit record

86. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a department chair recommends an exception to privilege criteria. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff route the exception through the adopted approval process
- B. Evidence that staff treat the chair's recommendation as final
- C. Evidence that staff rewrite criteria in the applicant's file
- D. Evidence that staff ignore evidence of current competence while maintaining a traceable audit record

87. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a department chair recommends an exception to privilege criteria. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. treat the chair's recommendation as final under the documented policy
- B. rewrite criteria in the applicant's file with recorded supervisory review
- C. Route the exception through the adopted approval process
- D. ignore evidence of current competence while maintaining a traceable audit record

88. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a department chair recommends an exception to privilege criteria. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff route the exception through the adopted approval process and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff treat the chair's recommendation as final with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff rewrite criteria in the applicant's file through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff ignore evidence of current competence while maintaining a traceable audit record

89. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a committee member has a conflict involving an applicant. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff allow the member to lead discussion under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff apply the conflict policy and document appropriate recusal and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff remove unfavorable evidence through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff cancel all applications in the specialty while maintaining a traceable audit record

90. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a committee member has a conflict involving an applicant. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff allow the member to lead discussion
- B. Evidence that staff remove unfavorable evidence with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff cancel all applications in the specialty
- D. Evidence that staff apply the conflict policy and document appropriate recusal

91. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a committee member has a conflict involving an applicant. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. allow the member to lead discussion under the documented policy
- B. remove unfavorable evidence with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. cancel all applications in the specialty through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Apply the conflict policy and document appropriate recusal

92. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a committee member has a conflict involving an applicant. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff apply the conflict policy and document appropriate recusal and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff allow the member to lead discussion with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition

- C. Staff remove unfavorable evidence through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff cancel all applications in the specialty while maintaining a traceable audit record

93. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a licensing board posts a new sanction. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff wait until reappointment under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff start the defined monitoring review and notify authorized leaders and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff remove the practitioner without review through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff ask the practitioner to verify the board while maintaining a traceable audit record

94. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a licensing board posts a new sanction. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff wait until reappointment under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff remove the practitioner without review with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff start the defined monitoring review and notify authorized leaders
- D. Evidence that staff ask the practitioner to verify the board

95. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a licensing board posts a new sanction. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. wait until reappointment under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. remove the practitioner without review with recorded supervisory review
- C. ask the practitioner to verify the board through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Start the defined monitoring review and notify authorized leaders

96. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a licensing board posts a new sanction. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff start the defined monitoring review and notify authorized leaders and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff wait until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff remove the practitioner without review through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff ask the practitioner to verify the board while maintaining a traceable audit record

97. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a required license expires next month. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff mark it renewed before evidence arrives under the documented policy
- B. Staff notify responsible parties and track verified renewal and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff wait for the practitioner to remember through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff replace it with a peer reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

98. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a required license expires next month. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff mark it renewed before evidence arrives
- B. Evidence that staff notify responsible parties and track verified renewal
- C. Evidence that staff wait for the practitioner to remember
- D. Evidence that staff replace it with a peer reference

99. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a required license expires next month. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. mark it renewed before evidence arrives under the documented policy
- B. wait for the practitioner to remember with recorded supervisory review
- C. Notify responsible parties and track verified renewal through the authorized committee pathway
- D. replace it with a peer reference while maintaining a traceable audit record

100. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a required license expires next month. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff mark it renewed before evidence arrives under the documented policy
- B. Staff wait for the practitioner to remember with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff replace it with a peer reference through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff notify responsible parties and track verified renewal and retained evidence of completion

101. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which repeated patient complaints show a pattern. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff keep every complaint isolated under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff delete complaints without lawsuits with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff aggregate and route the pattern through the approved review process and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff terminate appointment automatically while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

102. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that repeated patient complaints show a pattern. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff aggregate and route the pattern through the approved review process
- B. Evidence that staff keep every complaint isolated with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff delete complaints without lawsuits through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff terminate appointment automatically while maintaining a traceable audit record

103. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where repeated patient complaints show a pattern. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. keep every complaint isolated under the documented policy
- B. delete complaints without lawsuits with recorded supervisory review

- C. Aggregate and route the pattern through the approved review process
- D. terminate appointment automatically while maintaining a traceable audit record

104. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which repeated patient complaints show a pattern. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff keep every complaint isolated under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff delete complaints without lawsuits with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff terminate appointment automatically through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff aggregate and route the pattern through the approved review process and retained evidence of completion

105. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which OPPE data show a negative trend. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff escalate the trend for authorized clinical review and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff hide the data until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff have clerical staff diagnose the cause through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff change the measure to improve results while maintaining a traceable audit record

106. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that OPPE data show a negative trend. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff hide the data until reappointment
- B. Evidence that staff escalate the trend for authorized clinical review
- C. Evidence that staff have clerical staff diagnose the cause
- D. Evidence that staff change the measure to improve results

107. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where OPPE data show a negative trend. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. hide the data until reappointment under the documented policy
- B. have clerical staff diagnose the cause with recorded supervisory review
- C. Escalate the trend for authorized clinical review through the authorized committee pathway
- D. change the measure to improve results while maintaining a traceable audit record

108. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which OPPE data show a negative trend. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff escalate the trend for authorized clinical review and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff hide the data until reappointment with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff have clerical staff diagnose the cause through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff change the measure to improve results while maintaining a traceable audit record

109. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a practitioner changes malpractice carriers. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff retain only the former certificate under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff assume identical new terms with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff remove coverage from monitoring through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff verify updated coverage and revise expiration tracking and recorded the final disposition

110. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a practitioner changes malpractice carriers. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff retain only the former certificate
- B. Evidence that staff verify updated coverage and revise expiration tracking
- C. Evidence that staff assume identical new terms through the authorized committee pathway

D. Evidence that staff remove coverage from monitoring while maintaining a traceable audit record

111. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a practitioner changes malpractice carriers. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. retain only the former certificate under the documented policy
- B. assume identical new terms with recorded supervisory review
- C. Verify updated coverage and revise expiration tracking through the authorized committee pathway
- D. remove coverage from monitoring while maintaining a traceable audit record

112. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a practitioner changes malpractice carriers. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff verify updated coverage and revise expiration tracking and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff retain only the former certificate with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff assume identical new terms through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff remove coverage from monitoring while maintaining a traceable audit record

113. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a sanctions query returns a possible name match. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff confirm every similar name under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff resolve identity before attributing the result and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff ignore matches without identical middle names through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff ask the practitioner to delete the source record while maintaining a traceable audit record

114. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a sanctions query returns a possible name match. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff confirm every similar name under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff ignore matches without identical middle names
- C. Evidence that staff ask the practitioner to delete the source record
- D. Evidence that staff resolve identity before attributing the result

115. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a sanctions query returns a possible name match. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. confirm every similar name under the documented policy
- B. Resolve identity before attributing the result with recorded supervisory review
- C. ignore matches without identical middle names through the authorized committee pathway
- D. ask the practitioner to delete the source record

116. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a sanctions query returns a possible name match. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff resolve identity before attributing the result and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff confirm every similar name with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff ignore matches without identical middle names through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff ask the practitioner to delete the source record while maintaining a traceable audit record

117. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which FPPE is assigned for a new privilege. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff treat privilege approval as completion under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff let the practitioner close it with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff track completion and route results to authorized reviewers and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff store results without notification while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

118. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that FPPE is assigned for a new privilege. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff treat privilege approval as completion under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff let the practitioner close it with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff store results without notification through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff track completion and route results to authorized reviewers

119. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where FPPE is assigned for a new privilege. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. treat privilege approval as completion under the documented policy
- B. let the practitioner close it with recorded supervisory review
- C. store results without notification through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Track completion and route results to authorized reviewers

120. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which FPPE is assigned for a new privilege. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff track completion and route results to authorized reviewers and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff treat privilege approval as completion with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff let the practitioner close it through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff store results without notification while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

121. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a required certification expires midterm. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff ignore it after initial verification under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff apply the action specified by policy and privilege criteria and recorded the final disposition

- C. Staff substitute an unrelated license through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff backdate a renewal while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

122. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a required certification expires midterm. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff ignore it after initial verification under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff substitute an unrelated license with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff apply the action specified by policy and privilege criteria
- D. Evidence that staff backdate a renewal while maintaining a traceable audit record

123. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a required certification expires midterm. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. ignore it after initial verification under the documented policy
- B. substitute an unrelated license with recorded supervisory review
- C. Apply the action specified by policy and privilege criteria
- D. backdate a renewal while maintaining a traceable audit record

124. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a required certification expires midterm. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff apply the action specified by policy and privilege criteria and retained evidence of completion
- B. Staff ignore it after initial verification with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff substitute an unrelated license through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff backdate a renewal while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

125. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a federal-program exclusion alert appears. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff wait for recredentialing under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff treat a resume as contrary proof with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff remove the alert from the audit trail through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff verify the finding and escalate it immediately under compliance policy and recorded the final disposition

126. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a federal-program exclusion alert appears. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff wait for recredentialing under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Evidence that staff verify the finding and escalate it immediately under compliance policy
- C. Evidence that staff treat a resume as contrary proof through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff remove the alert from the audit trail while maintaining a traceable audit record

127. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a federal-program exclusion alert appears. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. wait for recredentialing under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. treat a resume as contrary proof with recorded supervisory review
- C. remove the alert from the audit trail through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Verify the finding and escalate it immediately under compliance policy

128. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a federal-program exclusion alert appears. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff wait for recredentialing under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff treat a resume as contrary proof with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition

- C. Staff verify the finding and escalate it immediately under compliance policy and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff remove the alert from the audit trail while maintaining a traceable audit record

129. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a monitoring vendor misses a scheduled query. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff assume no news means no sanction under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff complete the query and correct vendor oversight controls and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff change the date without querying through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff stop documenting checks while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

130. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a monitoring vendor misses a scheduled query. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff complete the query and correct vendor oversight controls
- B. Evidence that staff assume no news means no sanction
- C. Evidence that staff change the date without querying through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff stop documenting checks while maintaining a traceable audit record

131. A new credentialing specialist completes a competency exercise involving a file where a monitoring vendor misses a scheduled query. Which response should be scored as correct?

- A. assume no news means no sanction under the documented policy
- B. change the date without querying with recorded supervisory review
- C. stop documenting checks through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Complete the query and correct vendor oversight controls

132. An accreditation-readiness tracer follows a record in which a monitoring vendor misses a scheduled query. Which observed action best demonstrates an effective control?

- A. Staff assume no news means no sanction under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff change the date without querying with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff complete the query and correct vendor oversight controls and retained evidence of completion
- D. Staff stop documenting checks while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

133. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an audit finds missing verification dates. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff add estimated dates under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff correct affected records and investigate the underlying process weakness and recorded the final disposition
- C. Staff delete the audit finding through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff audit only complete-looking files while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

134. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an audit finds missing verification dates. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff add estimated dates under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff delete the audit finding with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff audit only complete-looking files through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff correct affected records and investigate the underlying process weakness

135. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a committee meeting lacks quorum. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff defer actions requiring quorum under governing documents and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff count absent members as yes votes with recorded supervisory review
- C. Staff let staff approve appointments through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff change minutes to show quorum while maintaining a traceable audit record

136. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a committee meeting lacks quorum. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff count absent members as yes votes
- B. Evidence that staff let staff approve appointments with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff defer actions requiring quorum under governing documents
- D. Evidence that staff change minutes to show quorum

137. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which minutes contain detailed peer-review discussion. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff revise documentation appropriately and restrict access and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff post the minutes publicly with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff email them to applicants through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff destroy every meeting record while maintaining a traceable audit record

138. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that minutes contain detailed peer-review discussion. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff post the minutes publicly under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff revise documentation appropriately and restrict access
- C. Evidence that staff email them to applicants through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff destroy every meeting record while maintaining a traceable audit record

139. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a delegated entity is due for oversight. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff renew without evidence review under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff assume accreditation removes oversight with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff let the delegate hide its criteria through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Staff evaluate performance against the agreement and applicable standards and recorded the final disposition

140. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a delegated entity is due for oversight. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff renew without evidence review under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff assume accreditation removes oversight with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff evaluate performance against the agreement and applicable standards
- D. Evidence that staff let the delegate hide its criteria

141. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a policy conflicts with approved bylaws. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff escalate the conflict through the controlling governance process and recorded the final disposition
- B. Staff use whichever document is easier with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff secretly edit the bylaws through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff ignore both documents while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

142. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a policy conflicts with approved bylaws. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff use whichever document is easier under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff escalate the conflict through the controlling governance process

- C. Evidence that staff secretly edit the bylaws through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff ignore both documents while maintaining a traceable audit record

143. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which committee packets are distributed electronically. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff send files to personal accounts under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff allow unrestricted forwarding with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff use secure access, version control, and appropriate retention and recorded the final disposition
- D. Staff delete the official packet early while maintaining a traceable audit record

144. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that committee packets are distributed electronically. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff use secure access, version control, and appropriate retention
- B. Evidence that staff send files to personal accounts with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff allow unrestricted forwarding through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff delete the official packet early while maintaining a traceable audit record

145. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which an external audit requests compliance evidence. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff create missing evidence without notation under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff release unrelated peer-review material with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff refuse every authorized request through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff provide authorized organized records with a clear audit trail and recorded the final disposition

146. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that an external audit requests compliance evidence. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff create missing evidence without notation under the documented policy
- B. Evidence that staff provide authorized organized records with a clear audit trail
- C. Evidence that staff release unrelated peer-review material through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff refuse every authorized request while maintaining a traceable audit record

147. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a committee member votes remotely. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff treat any text message as a vote under the documented policy
- B. Staff exclude the vote without checking policy with recorded supervisory review and documented the disposition
- C. Staff let nonmembers vote through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff confirm remote participation and voting meet governing requirements and recorded the final disposition

148. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a committee member votes remotely. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff treat any text message as a vote
- B. Evidence that staff exclude the vote without checking policy
- C. Evidence that staff confirm remote participation and voting meet governing requirements
- D. Evidence that staff let nonmembers vote while maintaining a traceable audit record

149. A policy-exception audit samples a record in which a database conversion changes expiration fields. Which finding demonstrates appropriate resolution?

- A. Staff assume migration preserved every value under the documented policy and documented the disposition
- B. Staff reconcile migrated data and test alerts before operational use and recorded the final disposition

- C. Staff turn off monitoring for a year through the authorized committee pathway and documented the disposition
- D. Staff delete source records immediately while maintaining a traceable audit record and documented the disposition

150. A committee packet is being finalized after reviewers note that a database conversion changes expiration fields. What documentation is required before presentation?

- A. Evidence that staff reconcile migrated data and test alerts before operational use
- B. Evidence that staff assume migration preserved every value with recorded supervisory review
- C. Evidence that staff turn off monitoring for a year through the authorized committee pathway
- D. Evidence that staff delete source records immediately while maintaining a traceable audit record

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- 1. C** — The exception audit should show that staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete because material gaps must be resolved before decision makers rely on the chronology. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.
- 2. A** — The committee packet is complete only when it documents that staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete because material gaps must be resolved before decision makers rely on the chronology. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.
- 3. B** — The competency exercise should require the specialist to obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete because material gaps must be resolved before decision makers rely on the chronology. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.
- 4. C** — The readiness tracer supports compliance when sampled records show staff obtain a written explanation before treating the file as complete, since material gaps must be resolved before decision makers rely on the chronology. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

5. D — The exception audit should show that staff verify current status directly with the issuing board because the licensing board is the primary source for current license status. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

6. A — The committee packet is complete only when it documents that staff verify current status directly with the issuing board because the licensing board is the primary source for current license status. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

7. C — The competency exercise should require the specialist to verify current status directly with the issuing board because the licensing board is the primary source for current license status. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

8. D — The readiness tracer supports compliance when sampled records show staff verify current status directly with the issuing board, since the licensing board is the primary source for current license status. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

9. B — The exception audit should show that staff verify education with the school or an accepted equivalent source because practitioner-supplied documents do not independently establish education. Alternatives skip verification, bypass accountable review, or leave concerns unresolved. This approach supports consistent decisions, timely follow-up, reliable monitoring, confidentiality, and a defensible audit record.

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