



Survey Report: April 2022 Practical Exams

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Introduction

The CCSP and DACBSP

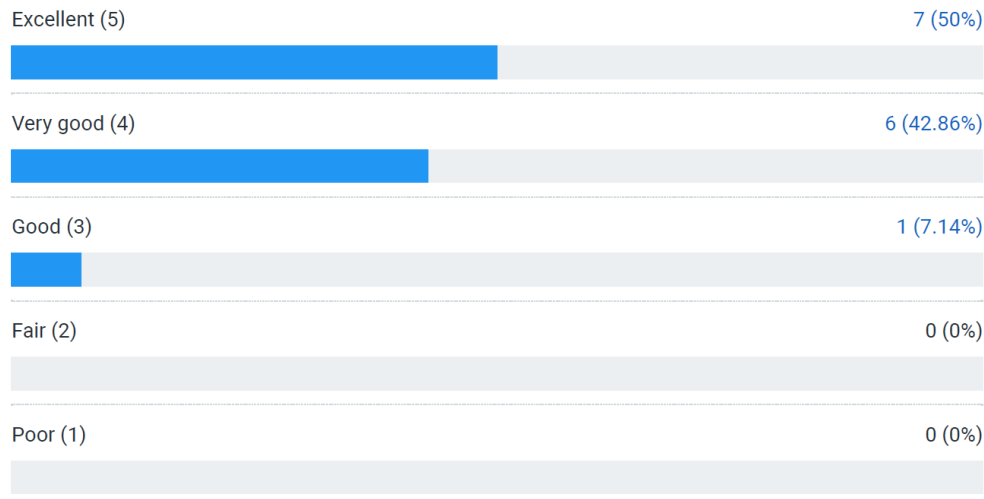
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Survey Results

This section will present and discuss the survey results.

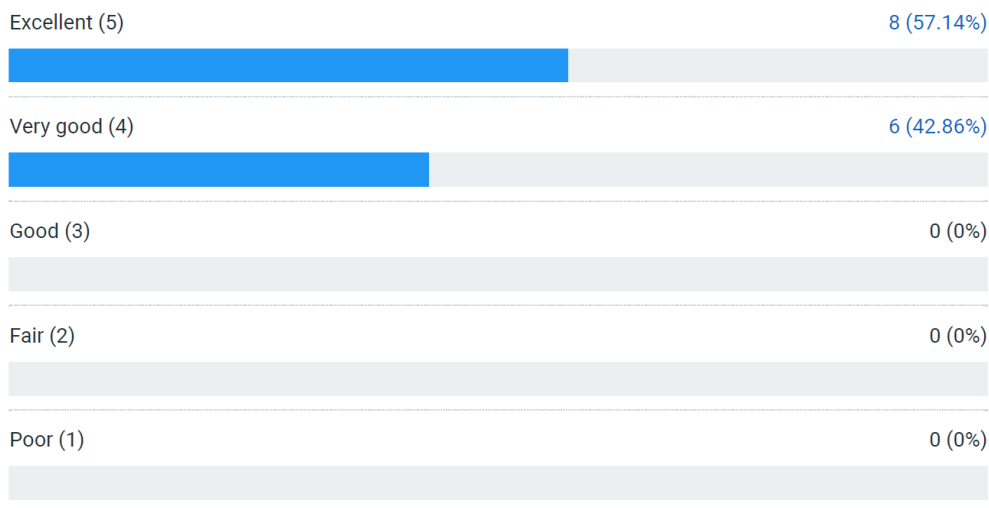
How would you rate the online registration experience?

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How would you rate the communication post-registration (i.e. emails, website)?

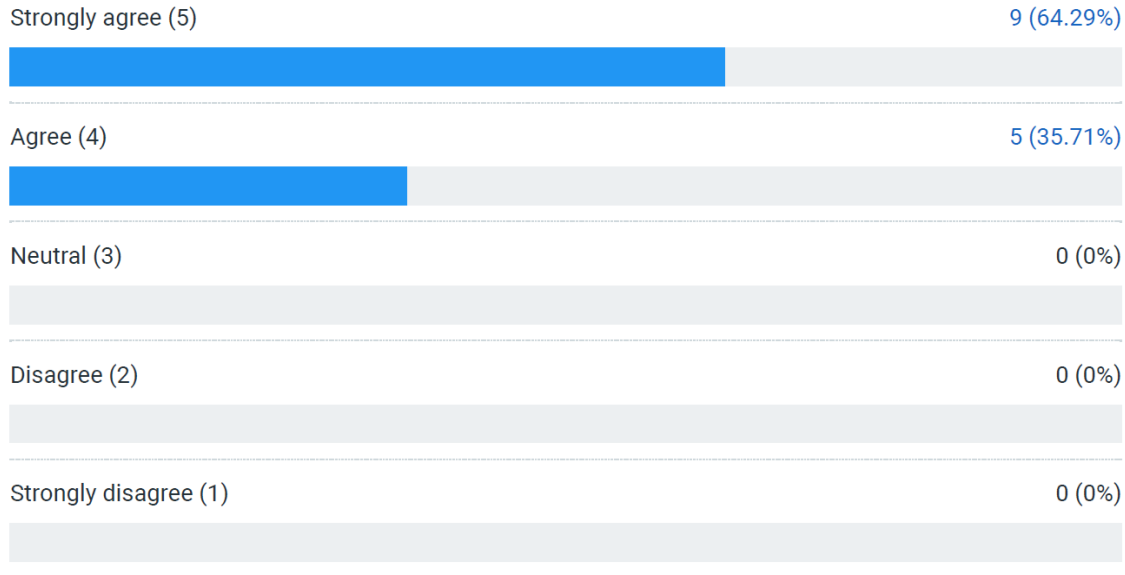
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The registration process and the communication were given a very good valuation.

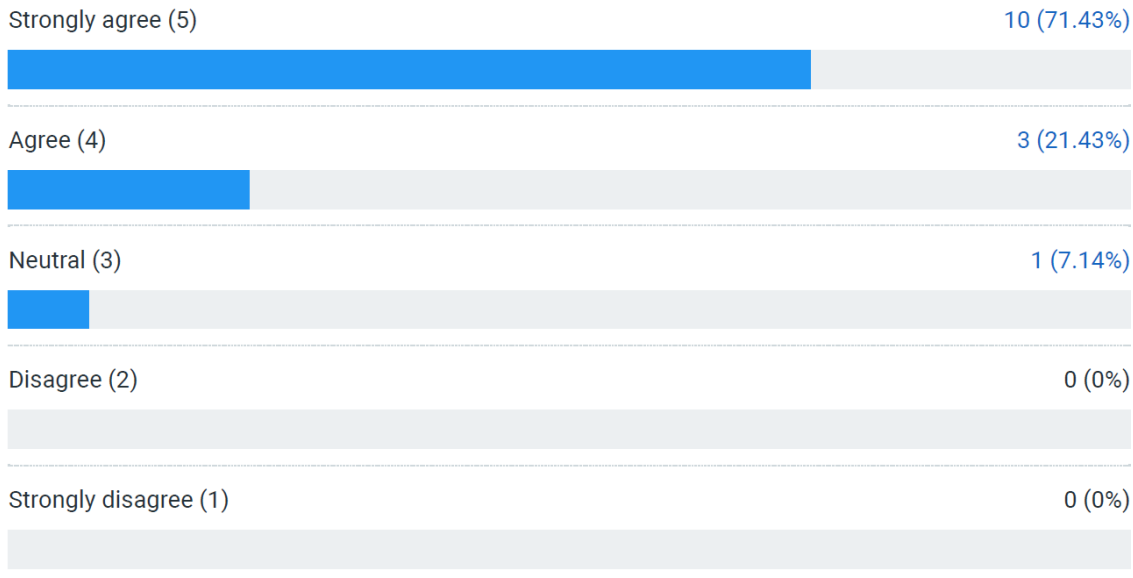
The setup of the examination room(s) was what you expected:

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The equipment provided in the examination room(s) was what you expected:

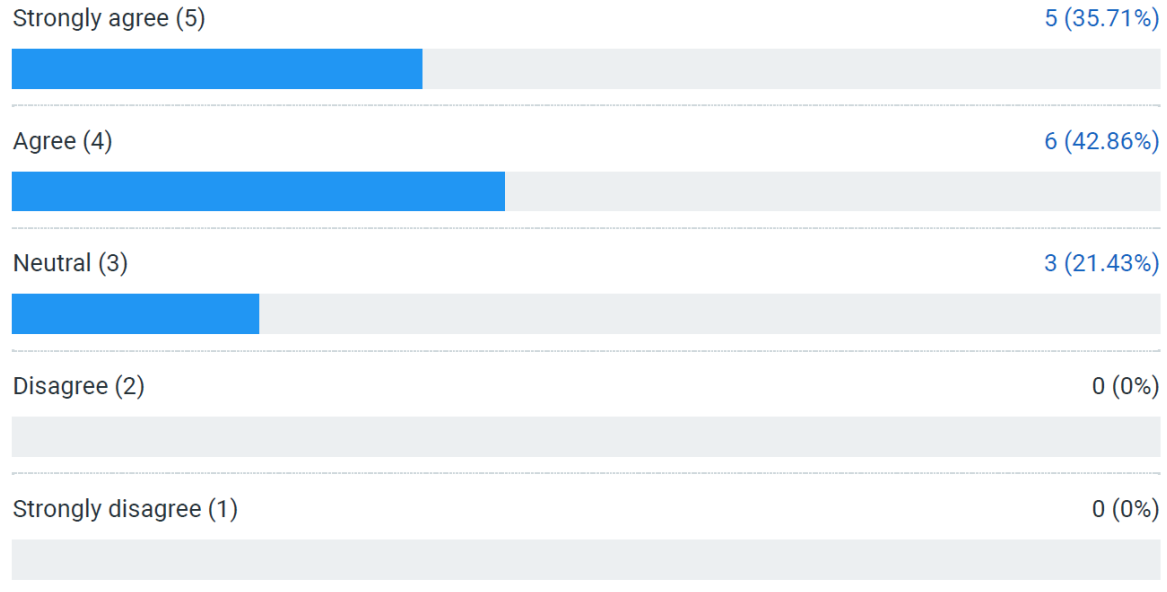
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The examination room(s) and the equipment provided met the examinees expectations.

The time between exam stations was the length of time you expected:

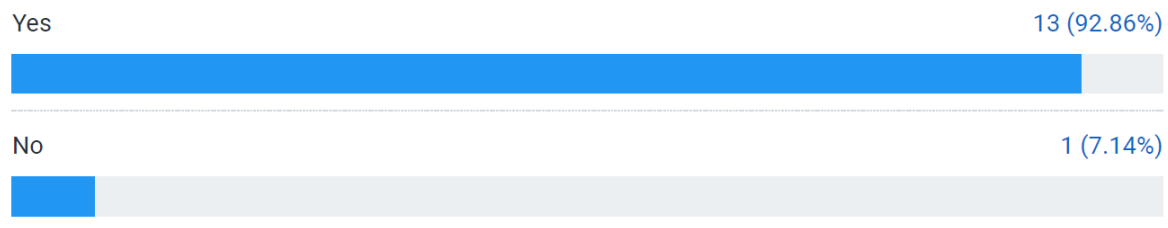
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Time between stations seems to be OK.

Were you given the appropriate information prior to the examination?

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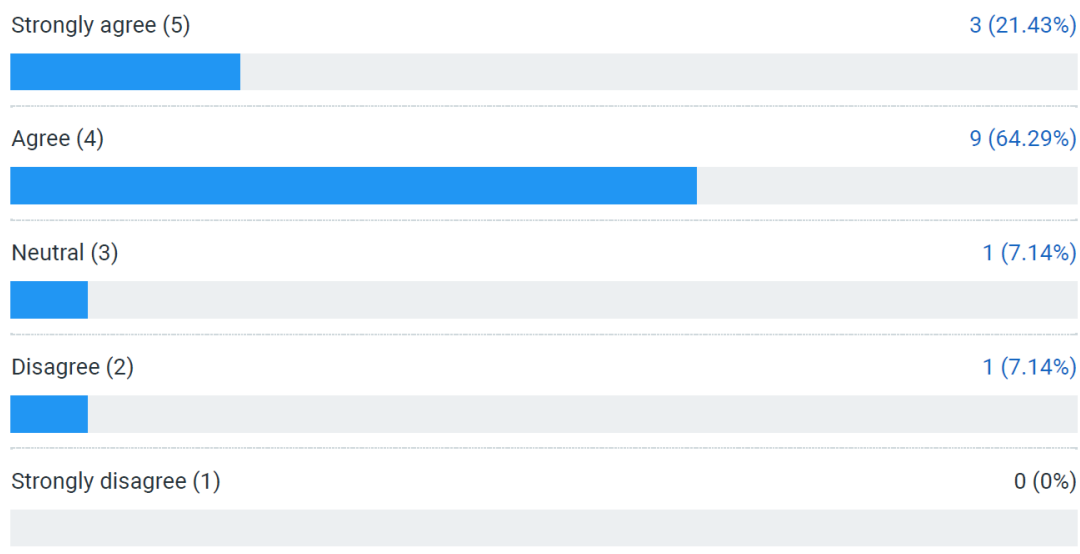
Communication strategy was very effective.

If you answered no to the previous question, what information was not provided prior to the examination?

I answered yes, but I just wanted to comment that I liked having the outline and appreciated having an idea of what was expected at each station.
Oxygen tanks should be inspected in between exams to make sure screws are properly placed.
Arthrogram is not something I can refer to in my state and I reviewed images but did not ask for that on extremity station- I asked for MRI's and were told inconclusive- but the ddx was a slap tear and I believe something would have shown up on MRI fo

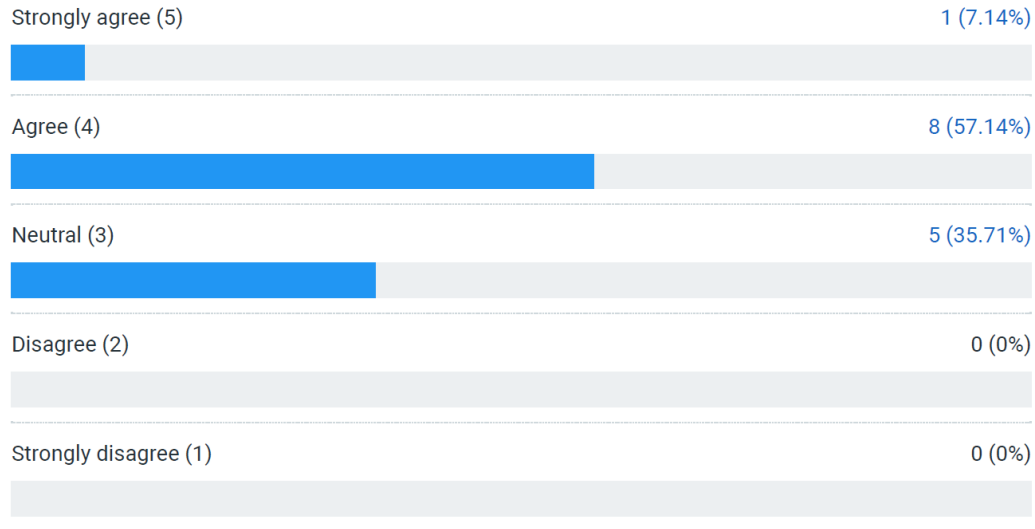
The information provided on the website (i.e. recommended reading list, position papers, etc.) prepared you for the examination?

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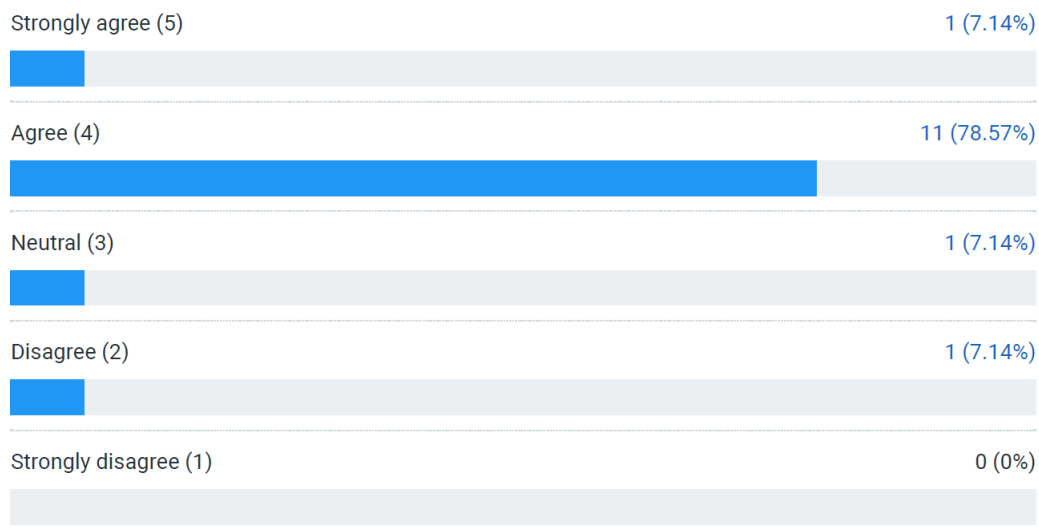
The information provided through the in-person courses prepared you for the examination?

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The information provided through the online courses prepared you for the examination?

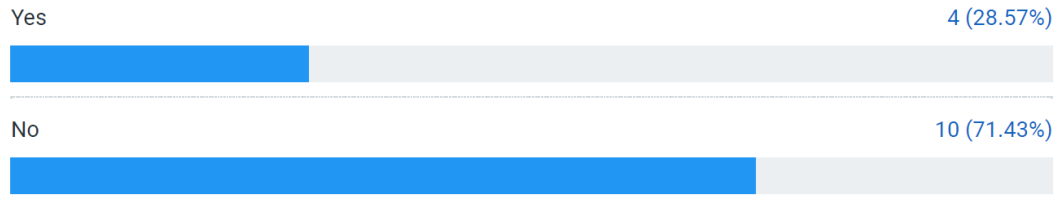
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Even though a vast majority agrees that the information given was useful, the low rate of “strongly agrees”, as well as the neutrals and disagrees suggest it can still be improved.

Were there any external factors that added stress to your experience?

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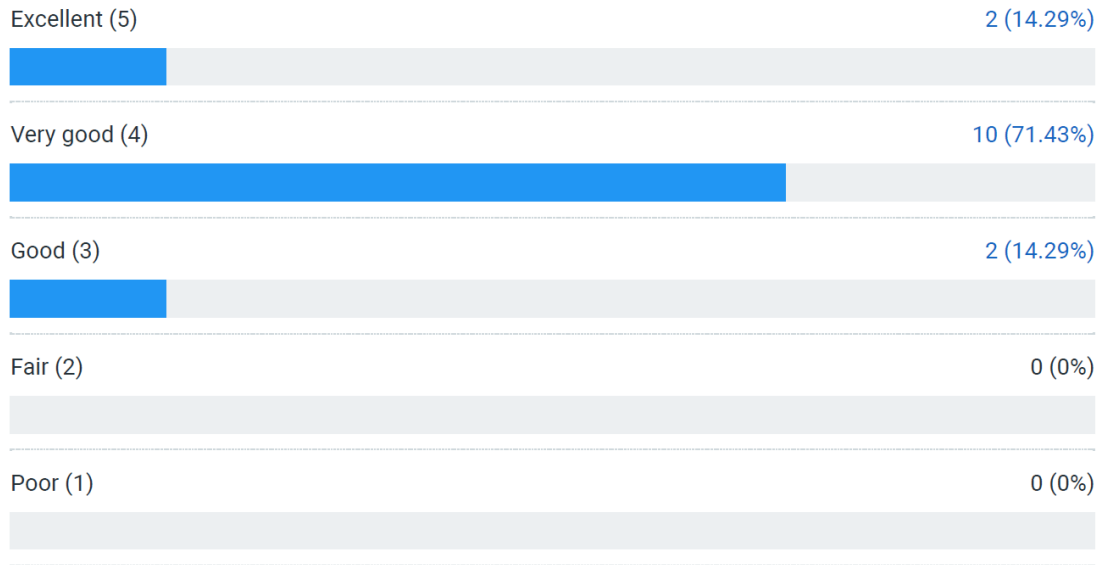


What external factors added stress to your exam experience?

Issues with staffing at my office and things coming up prior to going into sequestration added a bit of stress to the practical re-take.
It was nice having the exam in the hotel that I was staying in, makes traveling less stressful
Travel cost and hotel expenses.
test anxiety
traveling, covid etc

Overall how would you rate your experience with the practical examination?

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How could your practical exam experience have been better?

I think the practical exam is well designed to test minimal skills and delivers well its purpose in preparing candidates
I wish I would have passed it all the first time around.
Provide opportunity for snacks to be provided or purchased.
Subjects and volunteers didn't follow directions appropriately.
Not sure, it seemed like it was fine - maybe just less waiting in between rooms
The second time the increased communication and information provided about what was expected greatly improved the experience/expectation.
Nothing I enjoyed the experience more this time around.
I asked MR. Tim what group # I was going to be testing and he was nice enough to let me know. It helped me relax so I knew when I was going to be called out to take the exam.
I think since giving the exact time has not worked in the past, instead you could let us know our group numbers. This grouping numbers lets us know when to expect to be

called out so there are no surprises rather than waiting not knowing when you would be called out. Mental preparation is helpful during practical exams.
Have the acting patient communicate with the doctor and be able to give the results of the exam.
went as expected
I wish rubrics, videos would have been accessible in the past
Proctors were helpful- smaller cameras were also great

Would you like to provide any additional feedback concerning your practical exam experience?

There is a wide variety of ways that people have taught and shown Emergency medicine. With what the field standard seems to be, is not particularly what the ACBSP tests for. Overall makes it a little confusing, however I feel that the ACBSP does tell the candidates what is needed to pass the exam. Hopefully I did this time around.
Thank you for making accommodations, I felt like I was able to perform my best and not be distracted, although still challenged. Each station was great.
In the prep class you had volunteer instructors contradicting the lead instructor and making recommendations that were listed as a critical/automatic fail. Also, the prep class should just focus on practice and not lecture.
Cost for travel and hotel was very expensive for a practical exam.
I only retook one station this time and that station was well done. I can't speak on behalf of the other stations.
Expand outlines and teach more information of expectations for practical in the in-person classes.
I wanted to thank Dr. Rachel Bryant for helping us practice the night before. Having the equipment there and reviewing with someone like her was extremely helpful rather than practicing with classmates that could critique you incorrectly. In the future this

should be a workshop for new examinee's. For retakes offer it as a hands on session like the one we had the night before. Two separate groups since the re-exams are only fine tuning what they messed up on.

I thought I was well prepared and the exam rooms were what I expected. It was a good learning experience.
Thank you!

The improvements are noted and appreciated

Wish we had a rubric for the stations. I tried to make my own but still missed imaging stuff, each state is different so its hard to know everything for imaging and things outside of state scope without a rubric

Suggested Improvements

Below is a summary of the key points.

1. Keep up the hard work on having the best communication strategy, because it proved to be effective and even examinees noticed the change.
2. There is still a chance to improve the information and resources given in all the channels (website, in-person and online courses), to provide candidates the best tools to prepare themselves.
3. Candidates had additional stress about COVID and travel, but ABCSP can do little about those. However, some comments suggest minor changes that might be helpful to improve the experience, like the snacks availability and reviewing the hotel fees.