



STANDARD ON LICENSURE EXAMINATION RESULTS
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The performance of graduates in licensure examinations is one important indicator of the quality of academic programs delivered by educational institutions. Only first-time takers will be considered to compute the school's passing rates vis-à-vis the national passing rates for first-time takers. The following standards considering the various stages of the accreditation process will be followed:

Accreditation Status Applied for	Standard
I. Programs with applicant status that will undergo a preliminary visit	<p>No passing percentage on the licensure examination will be required for programs undergoing a preliminary visit.</p> <p>For medical programs, 50% of its most recent graduates should have taken the Physician Licensure Examination (PLE) to qualify for a preliminary visit.</p>
II. Programs for initial accreditation with Level I status (member status)	<p>When a program applies for its first formal survey, performance in the PRC licensure examinations is assessed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compute the average programs' passing % for first-takers for the last academic year before the visit. b. Compute likewise for the average national passing % for first-takers in the same year. <p>The program is compliant if the average program's passing % for first-takers for the last year is equal to or above 85% of the average national passing % for the same year.</p>
III. Programs for reaccreditation with Level II status	<p>When a program applies for reaccreditation with Level II status, the performance in the PRC licensure examinations is assessed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compute the average programs' passing % for first-takers for the last three (3) years before the visit. b. Compute likewise for the average national passing % for first-takers for the same years. <p>The program is compliant if the average program's passing % for first-takers for the last</p>

	<p>three (3) years equals or above 90% of the average national passing % for first-takers for the same years.</p> <p>The same guideline will be applied for programs with another resurvey visit for Level II accreditation status.</p>
<p>IV. Programs for reaccreditation with Level III or IV status</p>	<p>When a program applies for reaccreditation with Level III or IV status, the performance in the PRC licensure examinations is assessed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Compute the average programs' passing % for first-takers for the last five (5) years before the visit. b. Compute likewise for the average national passing % for first-takers for the same last five (5) years. <p>The program is compliant if the average program's passing % for first-takers for the last five (5) years is equal to or above the average national passing % for first-takers for the same years.</p>

For programs with an applicant or an initial accreditation status (Guidelines I and II), failure to comply with the above guidelines will lead to a decision not to grant the status applied for. For programs seeking reaccreditation status with the various levels (Guidelines III and IV), reaccreditation status will be deferred pending compliance with the above guidelines.