



## **CSCN EEG Examination Competency-Based Eligibility Criteria**

Eligible candidates shall be physicians certified as a specialist in:

- a) Neurology (adult or paediatric), or
- b) Another specialty acceptable to the examination board, with a minimum of six months of training in neurology

AND

Shall have interpreted and generated written reports for at least 400 EEGs, of which at least 50% must be abnormal.

The candidate must keep a logbook to document completion of the above requirement, which should contain at least the following information: date of EEG, location of EEG laboratory, supervising physician, patient age (neonate/child/adult), setting (outpatient/inpatient/ICU), and findings (normal/abnormal). The logbook should not contain any personal health information.

The training director will be required to review the candidate's logbook in order to verify that the above requirement has been met. The candidate may also be required to provide a copy of their logbook in order to confirm their eligibility.

To enable success at the examination, the examining board strongly recommends that candidates obtain exposure to EEG recordings from across a wide range of patient ages and recording locations as follows:

- 100 adult EEGs
- 100 pediatric EEGs
- 25 neonatal EEGs
- 50 ICU EEGs

Although a candidate may attempt the EEG examination during their specialty training, certification will not be granted until the examining board receives evidence of successful completion of specialty training.

### **Explanatory Notes:**

- Each EEG recording can only be logged by a single trainee, who takes primary responsibility for drafting the EEG report.
- Prolonged EEG studies (e.g. ambulatory, epilepsy monitoring unit, intensive care unit) may be logged once per 24 hours of recording if a new report is authored for each day.
- Although re-review of archived EEGs can be a valuable educational exercise, particularly for study types that may be more difficult to access (e.g. neonatal EEG), this activity does not qualify for inclusion in the logbook.
- The program director should review the applicant's logbook and complete the Confirmation of Training form based on the number of EEG studies that the applicant has interpreted by the time of their application.
- Applicants may be provisionally accepted on the basis of training in progress, however they will need to complete the eligibility requirements by one month prior to the date of the examination. In this case, the program director must re-review the logbook and submit a revised Confirmation of Training form at least one month prior to the date of the examination to verify that the applicant has successfully completed their training.
- If training has not been successfully completed by one month prior to the examination, then the application will be deferred to the following year.