

Council on Professional Registration Report

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Happy (Belated) New Year! The Council on Professional Registration (CPR) welcomes the New Year, an aggressive and challenging “work” slate, and... Fran Pattillo as the Chair Elect of the CPR. Fran will work with Tammy and the rest of the CPR in 2003, then chair the CPR in 2004. We welcome Fran and look forward to working with Fran in the coming years! Thanks again to Deb Wallace and the Nominating Committee, Brian Bowman, RQAP-GLP, Carol Hoffman, RQAP-GLP, and Don Mayer, RQAP-GLP.

Sixty-one (61) quality assurance professionals sat for the 2002 GLP Quality Assurance Professional Registry Examination. The examination was administered according to the standard procedures of AMP at three test centers, Chicago, Philadelphia, and Raleigh, NC on October 13, 2002 and at the SQA National Meeting in Albuquerque, NM on October 14, 2002. The passing point for the October 2000 examination was 99 raw score units out of 150 possible points and did not change for the October 2002 administration. Raw scores were converted to scaled scores such that a raw score of 99 was equal to the minimum passing scaled score of 75 pre-established by the SQA. After final scoring was completed, score reports were generated, checked for accuracy, and mailed to candidates on November 18, 2002. Each score report included the candidate’s raw score and scaled score, the minimum passing scaled score, and sub-scores by content area to facilitate candidate understanding regarding test performance strengths and weaknesses. Final results for the October 2002 examination are provided in the table below. Brief results from the 2001 exam are also presented for comparison. For additional details, please feel free to contact any CPR Officer.

| Candidate Group | Total Number | Number Passing | Number Failing | Per Cent Passing |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| All | 61 | 51 | 10 | 83.6 |
| First time | 56 | 49 | 7 | 87.5 |
| Repeat | 5 | 2 | 3 | 40.0 |
| 2001 | 51 (9 absent) | 35 | 7 | 68.6 |

The CPR, with Headquarters assistance, has been critically reviewing and overhauling the 2003 contract with Applied Measurement Professionals, Inc. (AMP), the professional testing agency contracted by SQA to administer the examination. The CPR is ensuring that the contract is the most cost effective program for the SQA. Led by Debra Wallace, the CPR is also updating the GLP Quality Assurance Professional Registry Examination Candidate Handbook. The CPR is ensuring that the Handbook is up-to-date and additional details are being added to clarify examination eligibility requirements and re-registration criteria and procedures. The Handbook is available via the RQAP-GLP link

on the SQA web site, or from AMP. The RQAP-GLP link will also be updated. Also, also... all (16) of the Council Polices is currently being reviewed and updated.

The CPR Registration Examination Committee met January 15 – 16, 2003 in Baltimore to complete the examination item review process. Tammy White, Gene Burnett, Trisha Franz, RQAP-GLP, Missy Miller, RQAP-GLP, Mary Shawgo, RQAP-GLP, and Kevin Yount, RQAP-GLP, met over the two-day period to activate OECD specific questions for incorporation in the 2003 examination. The 2003 examination will be offered Saturday, October 11, 2003 in Seattle, Chicago, and Montreal, and at the SQA Annual Meeting in Arlington, VA, on Sunday, October 12, 2003. For additional details, and an application for the examination (Candidate Handbook), please go to the RQAP-GLP site.

Eighteen (18) RQAP-GLP professionals' re-registration packages were processed during December 2002. Each package was reviewed and verified by two CPR Officers. Although there were no re-registration packages rejected, there were a few that had the package been a data package, or a report, it would have been returned due to inadequate documentation. Twenty-seven (27) professionals were due re-registration; thus, two-thirds renewed their quality assurance professional registration.