



Regulations for the final exam of the NSCPM, online format Information to students

Goal of the exam

To test the student's ability to reflect and make well-considered decisions, and to apply the appropriate medical knowledge within the field of palliative medicine.

Structure of the exam

Total length of the exam: 3 hours.

The exam consists of 4 to 5 different parts that are differently weighted. The clinical assignments have the highest weights.

Language to be used: English. Answers may have Nordic words interspersed where the English words are unknown to the student.

The exam will be a Word document that the students can add their answers into using a computer and hand in through Google classroom.

Minimum requirement to pass: 60 points out of 100

Grades are given as either "passed" or "not passed".

Examination day: Practical information

The exam is held on Tuesday in Module 6. The exam will be available at 08.30 through Google classroom and should be handed in by 11.30.

Students sit by themselves with web camera on and muted microphone and are not allowed to collaborate with other course participants or use notes, textbooks, course files or other web resources. Two examiners are present via Zoom, questions can be asked using the chat function addressing one of the examiners (not everyone).

Students are advised to read all assignments and make themselves acquainted with the content and weight of the different questions in order to allocate their time in a useful manner.

Students are requested to answer all questions.

Eating and drinking during the exam is encouraged.



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Communicating the results of the exam to the students

Exams are read in pairs by two Steering Group members from a different country than the student. All students will receive an email at lunch time Thursday telling if they have passed the exam or not. Those who do not pass the exam will be sent the phone numbers of their national Steering Group members and asked to contact one of them.

Members of the steering group will discuss the content of the exam with the students in a plenary session on the last day of the course.

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