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## RETESTING POLICY

Testers can achieve a passing score by answering at least 81% score. This cut score was determined by the NCBC Certification Board upon completion of a standard setting study facilitated by Excelsior's CEM.

Any tester achieving 80% or less has failed the test and has the option of retaking the test within one year at no additional charge at one of our other examination sites which can be found on the Certification Schedule tab on the BPNC.org website or they can schedule a time to take the exam at the NCBC office with the Certifications Manager. If an applicant desires to sit for the examination again after 12 months of their first registration (or examination) they will need to pay the registration fee again to take the examination. If the tester fails a second time, they must wait 6 months to retest and must pay a retest fee of \$295.

### \* Rationale for the NCBC Retesting Policy

We allow for the candidate to retest at one of our other testing sites within one year from the date of their original test. They may also contact the NCBC Certification Manager to schedule an exam at the NCBC office that will be proctored by the NCBC Certification Manager in the same way that it is offer at the annual meeting and the regional test sites. We feel that they need to have access to retest at their convenience and we want to make that available to all of our candidates.

If they do not pass a second time, we ask that they wait six months to retest. The rationale behind this is that they will be working in navigation during that time and gaining more knowledge and understanding of the skill set that they need to be a certified breast patient navigator. This also allows for more time to gain understanding of the current breast cancer guidelines that they need to know in order to have the specialized skillset in breast patient navigation.

We ask that they pay the retest fee of \$295 for the second retest. The rationale behind this is that we have given them the exam two (2) times already. This is an expense for the NCBC that we are willing to handle for the exam and one (1) retest. After that the expense is passed onto the candidate.