

## Quick Facts: *Examination Day and Testing*

### DO

- ✓ Review the USMLE *Rules of Conduct* prior to taking your examination
- ✓ Follow all test center staff instructions on the day of your examination
- ✓ Remember to bring a copy of your scheduling permit (electronic or paper) and required identification (see below); **you will not be permitted to test without them**
- ✓ Arrive 30 minutes prior to your testing appointment
- ✓ Confirm that your headphones are working, either before the examination begins or during the tutorial
- ✓ Use personal items only when on an authorized break; you are not permitted to access your locker during unauthorized breaks
- ✓ Ensure you've completed all sections of the examination

### DON'T

- ✗ Feel compelled to test if you are ill, under unusual stress, or unprepared for the examination; to reschedule, contact the organization that registered you for your examination
- ✗ Bring family and friends to the test center; instead, arrange to meet them after the examination ends
- ✗ Bring unauthorized items to the testing room; for computer-based examinations, only soft-foam earplugs are allowed
- ✗ Write on laminated note boards prior to entering your Candidate Identification Number (CIN) and starting your test session (computer-based examinations) or write on anything other than the laminated note boards
- ✗ Work past the announcements instructing you to stop
- ✗ Access your locker or use your cell phone on an unauthorized break

*Please see pages 17–20 for more information regarding examination day regulations and rules of conduct.*

#### Identification Required on Exam Day

You must present valid, unexpired identification with:

- ✓ Your photo
- ✓ Your name as it appears on your permit
- ✓ Your signature

Your name, as it appears on your scheduling permit, must match the name on your identification exactly. If the name listed on your permit is not correct, [contact](#) the organization that registered you for your examination *immediately*.

Acceptable forms of unexpired identification include:

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Driver's license with photograph
- ✓ National Identity Card
- ✓ Other form of government-issued identification\*

#### Security Procedures on Exam Day

During check-in, you will:

- ✓ be scanned with a handheld or walk-through device designed to detect prohibited items
- ✓ be asked to empty your pockets and turn them inside out
- ✓ have your photo identification checked\*
- ✓ have your fingerprint captured using biometric technology (computer-based examinations; not available at all locations)
- ✓ write your unique CIN as shown on your scheduling permit on one of the laminated note boards provided (computer-based examinations)
- ✓ be asked to repeat much of this process each time you return to the testing room after a break

\*See page 18 for detailed identification requirements.