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Dear Dr. Fleckman:

I regret to inform you that you did not pass your 2024 Internal Medicine Certification Examination.

I'm sure that this result is disappointing, and I encourage you to review the attached Score Report carefully. The Score Report will provide you with details about your exam performance and can help you identify content areas on which to focus for future learning.

You should also be aware of ABIM's [Board Eligibility policy](#) that may restrict your ability to take the exam again. To find out whether you are eligible to apply for the next administration of the Internal Medicine Certification Examination, view the "My Exams" section of your ABIM Physician Portal.

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Respectfully,

Furman S. McDonald, MD, MPH
President and CEO
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Report for **EMMA FLECKMAN**

ABIM ID:
450536

Internal Medicine
Administration Date: Summer 2024

FAIL

Your Score:
313

INTERPRETATION OF OVERALL PERFORMANCE

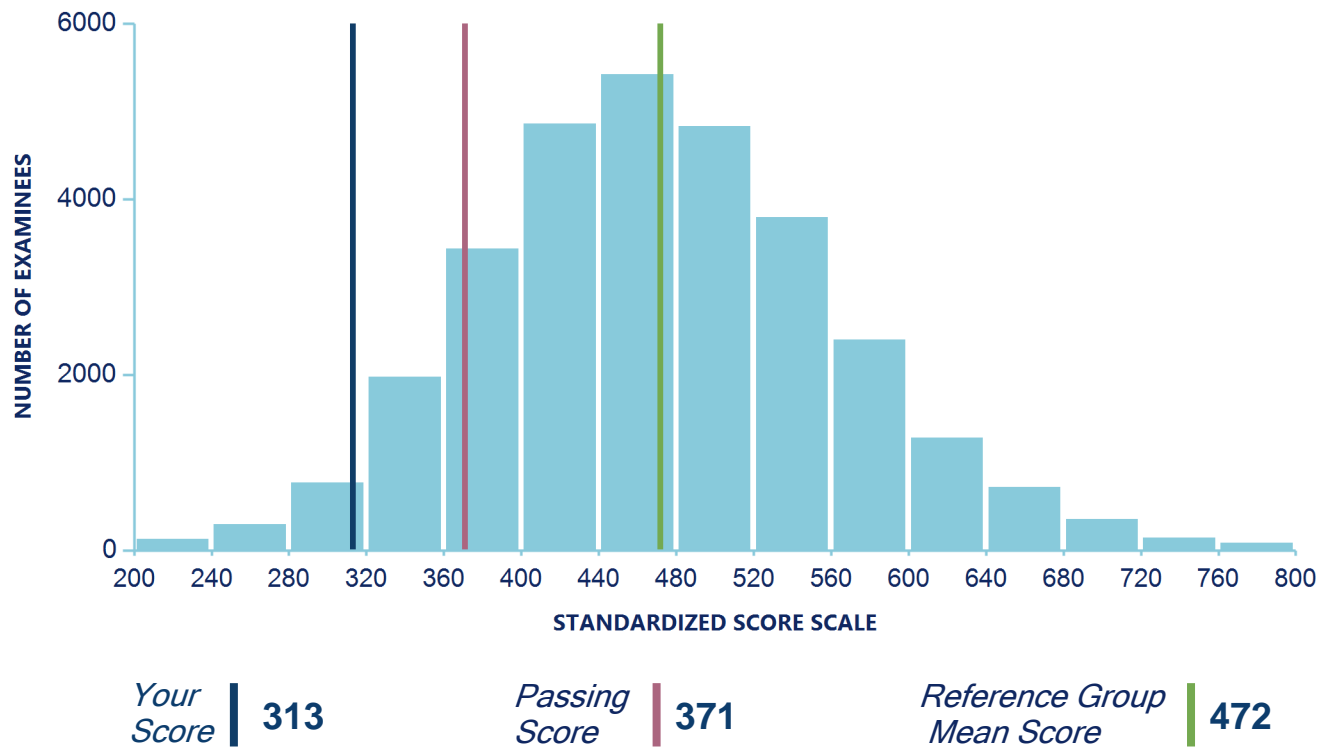
The American Board of Internal Medicine Internal Medicine Initial Certification Examination is a standardized test that ensures all examinees experience the same level of difficulty to successfully complete the exam. Overall performance is reported on a standardized scale ranging from 200 to 800 points. Your performance on the entire exam determines the exam pass-fail decision. To pass the exam, your standardized score must equal or exceed the **standardized passing score** of 371. The links below provide more information related to understanding your overall performance.

More Information

- [Passing Scores](#)
- [Standard Error of Measurement](#)
- [Content Area Subscores](#)
- [Reference Group Information](#)
- [Test Standardization](#)
- [Exam Blueprint](#)
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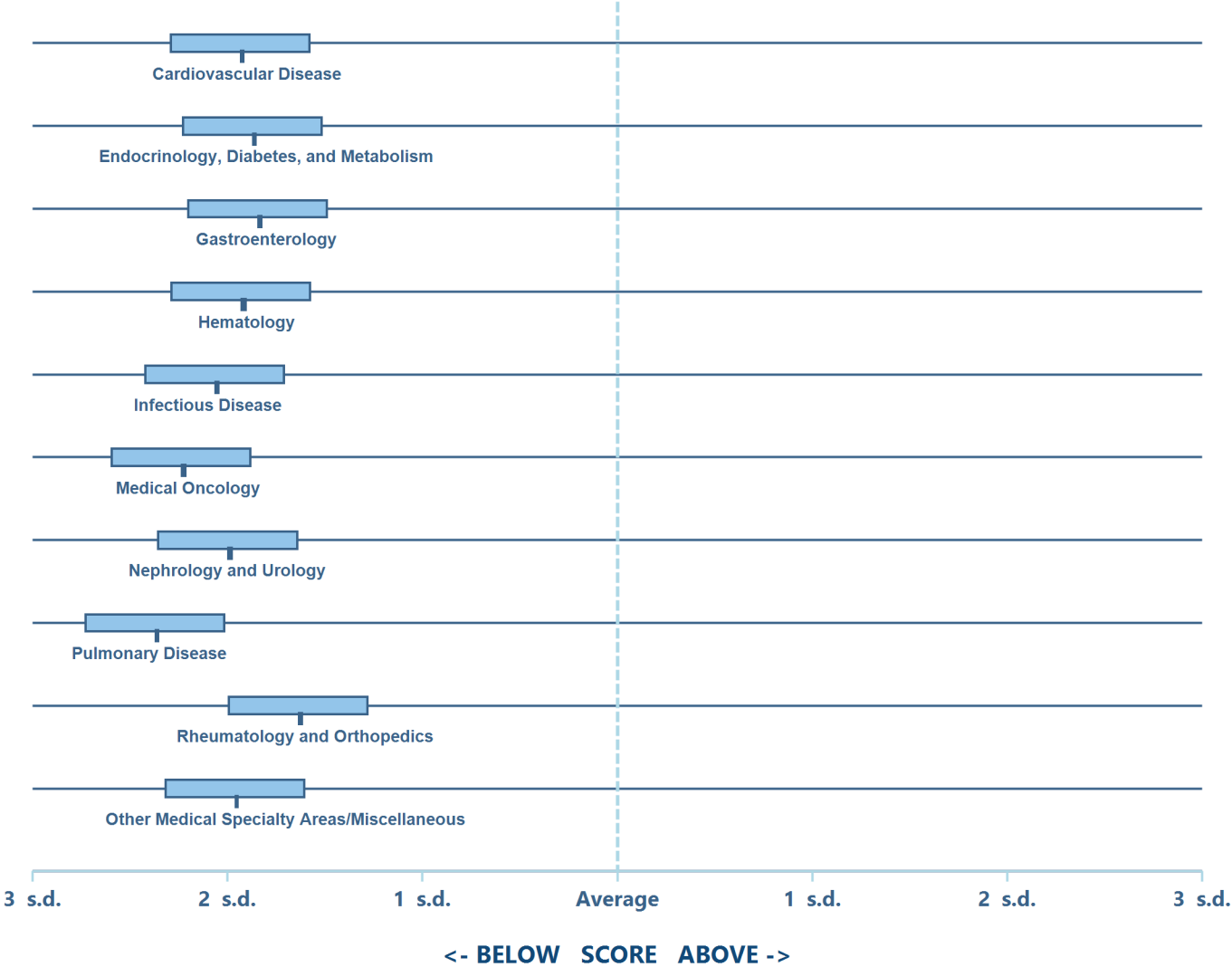
YOUR OVERALL PERFORMANCE

The graph below shows your performance relative to both the standardized passing score and to a reference group of first-time taker examinees who took this exam in recent years. Because the reference group includes data from multiple administrations, you cannot accurately infer specific overall pass rates for this administration of this exam from this report. More information on specific annual [exam pass rates](#) is available on [abim.org](#).



YOUR PERFORMANCE BY MEDICAL CONTENT AREAS

The table below is an overview of your relative strengths and weaknesses in the medical content areas as assessed by your performance on the exam. Your standardized score in each medical content area is reported in standard deviation units above and below the reference group average (vertical dotted line). Due to the limited number of questions in each content area, content area subscores are less precise than the overall score. Narrower boxes indicate a greater level of precision in calculating your score. Because the overall score and the content area subscores are on different scales, they cannot be directly compared. Also provided on the following pages is a detailed listing of exam content, showing the blueprint content description and cognitive task that you missed in each area.



Cardiovascular Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Hypertension Essential hypertension	Testing
Dysrhythmias and conduction defects Conduction defects	Treatment/Care Decisions
Congenital heart disease in adults Other congenital heart disease (patent ductus arteriosus, ventricular septal defect, pulmonic stenosis)	Diagnosis
Valvular heart disease Mitral regurgitation	Diagnosis
Valvular heart disease Mitral stenosis	Diagnosis
Myocardial disease Myocarditis	Diagnosis
Myocardial disease Undifferentiated myocardial disease	Treatment/Care Decisions
Syncope Reflex syncope (vasovagal and situational)	Treatment/Care Decisions
Miscellaneous cardiovascular disease (physical examination findings, murmurs)	Treatment/Care Decisions

Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Adrenal disorders Adrenal hormonal excess	Diagnosis
Lipid disorders Diet and hyperlipidemia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Disorders of calcium metabolism and bone Chronic kidney disease-mineral and bone disorder	Diagnosis

Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Endocrine tumors and endocrine manifestations of tumors Carcinoid syndrome	Testing
Endocrine tumors and endocrine manifestations of tumors Other endocrine tumors or manifestations of tumors	Testing

Gastroenterology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Stomach and duodenal disease Gastritis and gastropathy	Testing
Stomach and duodenal disease Non-ulcer dyspepsia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Colonic and anorectal disease Colorectal cancer screening	Treatment/Care Decisions
Pancreatic disease Chronic pancreatitis	Testing
Liver disease Viral hepatitis	Diagnosis
Liver disease Hepatocellular carcinoma screening	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Gastrointestinal hemorrhage Upper gastrointestinal hemorrhage	Treatment/Care Decisions

Hematology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Hemolytic anemia Microangiopathic hemolytic anemia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Leukocyte disorders Acute leukemia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Porphyria	Diagnosis
Hematologic malignancies Chronic leukemias	Testing

Infectious Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Central nervous system (CNS) infections Meningitis	Diagnosis
Lower respiratory tract infections Tuberculosis (TB)	Treatment/Care Decisions
Endocarditis and other cardiovascular infections Endocarditis	Diagnosis
Enteric infections Bacterial peritonitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection Cardio-metabolic complications of HIV therapy and infection	Diagnosis
Poststreptococcal glomerulonephritis	Diagnosis
Specific causative organisms Viral diseases	Treatment/Care Decisions
Specific causative organisms Rickettsioses and ehrlichioses	Diagnosis
Specific causative organisms Mycoses (fungal infections)	Diagnosis

Medical Oncology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Lung cancer (clinical presentation and diagnosis)	Diagnosis
Neoplasms of the head and neck Other neoplasms of the head and neck (not thyroid cancer)	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Gastrointestinal or hepatic cancer Stomach cancer	Testing
Urologic cancer Renal cell carcinoma	Diagnosis
Urologic cancer Bladder carcinoma	Diagnosis
Gynecologic cancer Cervical cancer	Diagnosis

Medical Oncology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Hematologic malignancies Hodgkin disease	Treatment/Care Decisions

Nephrology and Urology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Acute kidney injury Other acute kidney injury	Diagnosis
Glomerular disorders Vasculitis and the kidney	Diagnosis
Urinary tract infections Cystitis and pyelonephritis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Nephrolithiasis	Diagnosis

Pulmonary Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Obstructive airway disease General asthma	Diagnosis
Obstructive airway disease General asthma	Treatment/Care Decisions
Obstructive airway disease Chronic bronchitis and emphysema	Treatment/Care Decisions
Restrictive lung disease other than interstitial lung and pleural disease Chest wall disorders	Diagnosis
Interstitial lung disease Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis	Diagnosis
Interstitial lung disease Sarcoidosis	Diagnosis
Pulmonary vascular disease Cor pulmonale	Treatment/Care Decisions
Pleural disease Infections of the pleural space and empyema	Treatment/Care Decisions

Pulmonary Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Lung cancer Undifferentiated lung cancer	Diagnosis
Sleep medicine Obesity-hypoventilation syndrome	Diagnosis
Miscellaneous pulmonary disorders (indications for spirometry)	Treatment/Care Decisions

Rheumatology and Orthopedics

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Crystal-induced arthropathy Pseudogout	Diagnosis
Regional musculoskeletal syndromes Back pain	Diagnosis
Regional musculoskeletal syndromes Hip and pelvic pain	Diagnosis
Other primary rheumatic disorders Relapsing polychondritis	Diagnosis
Other primary rheumatic disorders Fibromyalgia	Diagnosis
Other primary rheumatic disorders Adult Still disease	Diagnosis

Other Medical Specialty Areas/Miscellaneous

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Allergy and Immunology Autoimmune systemic disorders (including IgG4-related disorders) Allergic interstitial nephritis	Diagnosis
Dermatology Vascular dermatoses Telangiectasia	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Dermatology Alopecia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Miscellaneous Primarily epidemiology	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology

Other Medical Specialty Areas/Miscellaneous

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Neurology Disorders of cerebral function Dementia	Diagnosis
Neurology Disorders of cerebral function Medical causes of delirium	Treatment/Care Decisions
Neurology Central nervous system (CNS) tumors Brain tumors	Treatment/Care Decisions
Neurology Other neurologic disorders Motor neuron disease	Diagnosis
Obstetrics and Gynecology Breast disorders Other breast disorders (cyclic pain, nipple discharge)	Treatment/Care Decisions
Obstetrics and Gynecology Menstrual disorders Amenorrhea	Testing
Obstetrics and Gynecology Menopause - management, risks, and benefits of therapy	Treatment/Care Decisions
Obstetrics and Gynecology Sexually transmitted diseases and infections of reproductive organs	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Otolaryngology and Dental Medicine Diseases of the ear Cholesteatoma	Diagnosis
Psychiatry Mood disorders Other mood disorders (psychogenic erectile dysfunction, premenstrual dysphoric disorder)	Diagnosis
Psychiatry Substance use disorder	Diagnosis
Psychiatry Factitious disorders	Treatment/Care Decisions

RESCORE INFORMATION

ABIM's scoring process is a meticulous one and includes a rigorous set of quality control steps to verify the accuracy of results for every examinee. We have taken all the appropriate steps to verify the accuracy of your results. It is very unlikely that an error occurred in retrieving your answers from the computer or scoring your exam. However, you may request a rescore for a fee of \$250. Bear in mind that given the quality controls in the scoring process, a rescore is unlikely to change the outcome of your exam results. [See additional information on how exams are scored, including the rescoring process.](#)

