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10/11/2022  
ABIM ID: 438979

Dear Dr. Patel:

I am sorry to inform you that you did not pass your 2022 Internal Medicine Certification Examination.

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

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. You should also be aware of ABIM's [Board Eligibility policy](#) that may restrict your ability to take the exam again.

If you have questions, please call 1-800-441-ABIM (2246), Mon. - Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, or [send us an email](#).

Respectfully,

Richard J. Baron, MD, MACP

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## Report for **DIPEN PATEL**

ABIM ID:  
**438979**

**Internal Medicine**  
*Administration Date: Summer 2022*

**FAIL**

Your Score:  
**355**

## INTERPRETATION OF OVERALL PERFORMANCE

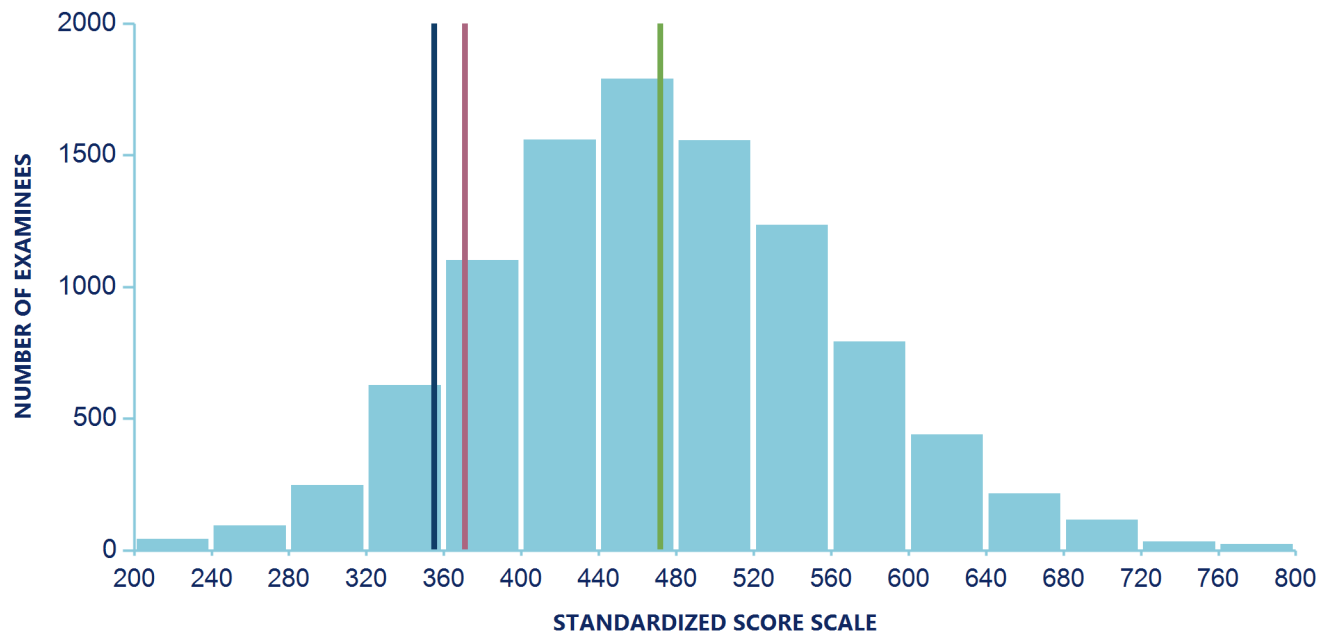
The American Board of Internal Medicine Internal Medicine Initial Certification Examination is a standardized test that ensures all examinees experience the same level of difficulty to successfully complete the exam. Overall performance is reported on a standardized scale ranging from 200 to 800 points. 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](#)
- [Standardized Score Scale](#)

# 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](#).



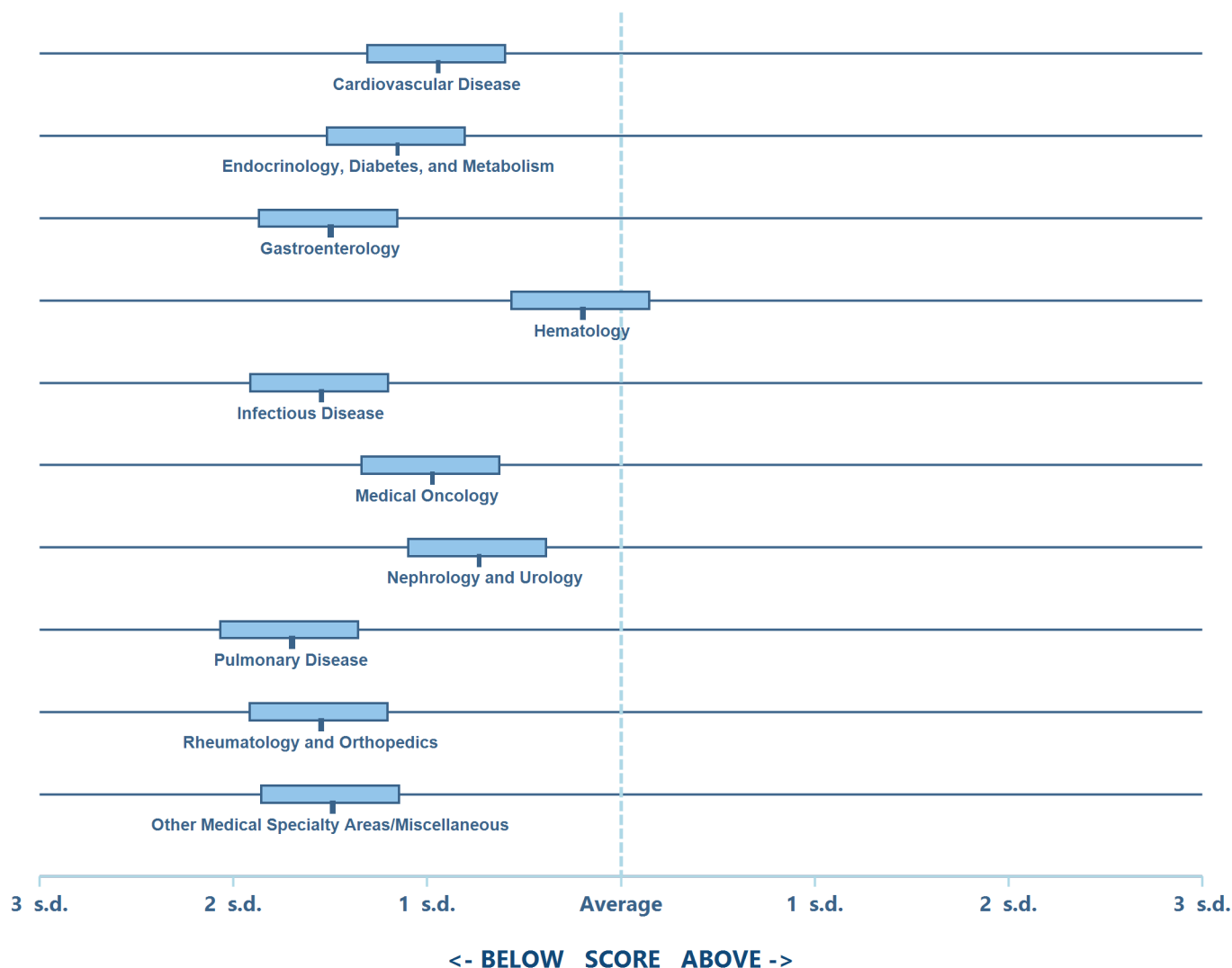
*Your Score* | **355**

*Passing Score* | **371**

*Reference Group Mean Score* | **472**

## 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

BUILDUP DESCRIPTION	TASK
Dysrhythmias and conduction defects Conduction defects	Treatment/Care Decisions
Dysrhythmias and conduction defects Bradyarrhythmias	Treatment/Care Decisions
Dysrhythmias and conduction defects Tachyarrhythmias	Diagnosis
Myocardial disease Undifferentiated myocardial disease	Treatment/Care Decisions
Endocarditis and other cardiovascular infection Endocarditis	Diagnosis
Vascular disease Peripheral arterial disease	Testing
Vascular disease Venous disease of the lower extremities	Diagnosis
Lipid disorders [2 questions]	Treatment/Care Decisions
Antithrombotic therapy in cardiovascular disease	Treatment/Care Decisions

## Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism

BUILDUP DESCRIPTION	TASK
Thyroid disorders Hyperthyroidism [2 questions]	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Lipid disorders Diet and hyperlipidemia	Treatment/Care Decisions
Disorders of calcium metabolism and bone Osteoporosis	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Disorders of calcium metabolism and bone Osteoporosis	Testing

## Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Posterior pituitary and water homeostasis Hypernatremia	Diagnosis

## Gastroenterology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Esophageal disease Barrett's esophagus	Treatment/Care Decisions
Esophageal disease Other esophageal disease (eosinophilic esophagitis, esophageal rupture)	Testing
Stomach and duodenal disease Helicobacter pylori infection	Testing
Small intestinal disease Other small intestinal disease (diarrhea [osmotic, post-surgical, bile salt-induced, nocturnal], gastric bypass complications)	Diagnosis
Pancreatic disease Chronic pancreatitis	Testing
Liver disease Viral hepatitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Undiagnosed gastrointestinal hemorrhage Undiagnosed upper gastrointestinal hemorrhage	Treatment/Care Decisions

## Hematology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Myelodysplastic syndrome	Diagnosis

## Infectious Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Eye infections Preseptal cellulitis	Diagnosis
Eye infections Conjunctivitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Enteric infections Bacterial peritonitis	Testing

## Infectious Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection Cardio-metabolic complications of HIV therapy and infection	Diagnosis
Poststreptococcal glomerulonephritis	Diagnosis
Nosocomial infections Hospital-acquired infections and prevention	Treatment/Care Decisions

## Medical Oncology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Lung cancer (clinical presentation and diagnosis)	Testing
Complications of cancer and its treatment Pain	Diagnosis

## Nephrology and Urology

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Chronic kidney disease Kidney dialysis	Diagnosis
Urinary tract infections Undifferentiated urinary tract infection	Treatment/Care Decisions
Other urologic disorders Scrotal and testicular nodules and masses other than testicular carcinoma	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 Pulmonary complications of obesity	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology

## Pulmonary Disease

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Restrictive lung disease other than interstitial lung and pleural disease Neuromuscular disorders	Diagnosis
Interstitial lung disease Sarcoidosis	Diagnosis
Pleural disease Infections of the pleural space and empyema	Treatment/Care Decisions
Acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) Fat embolism	Diagnosis
Solitary pulmonary nodule	Treatment/Care Decisions

## Rheumatology and Orthopedics

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Crystal-induced arthropathy Gout	Diagnosis
Localized joint syndromes Wrist and hand syndromes	Diagnosis
Localized joint syndromes Knee syndromes	Diagnosis
Localized joint syndromes Foot and ankle syndromes	Diagnosis
Systemic sclerosis Raynaud's phenomenon	Testing
Vasculitis Leukocytoclastic vasculitis	Diagnosis
Other primary rheumatic disorders Fibromyalgia	Diagnosis
Osteoarthritis	Diagnosis



## Other Medical Specialty Areas/Miscellaneous

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Allergy and Immunology Rhinitis, sinusitis, and conjunctivitis Allergic rhinitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Allergy and Immunology Rhinitis, sinusitis, and conjunctivitis Acute and chronic sinusitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Dermatology Dermatitis (eczemas) Drug eruptions	Diagnosis
Dermatology Vascular dermatoses Erythema nodosum	Diagnosis
Miscellaneous Primarily epidemiology	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Miscellaneous Primarily safety and quality improvement	Treatment/Care Decisions
Neurology Seizures	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Neurology Cranial neuropathy Bell's palsy	Diagnosis
Neurology Disorders of cerebral function Medical causes of delirium	Diagnosis
Neurology Other primary neurologic disorders Nutritional disorders	Diagnosis
Obstetrics and Gynecology Pregnancy Liver disease in pregnancy	Diagnosis
Obstetrics and Gynecology Pregnancy Urinary tract infections in pregnancy	Treatment/Care Decisions

## Other Medical Specialty Areas/Miscellaneous

BLUEPRINT DESCRIPTION	TASK
Obstetrics and Gynecology Menopause - management, risks, and benefits of therapy	Risk Assessment/Prognosis/Epidemiology
Obstetrics and Gynecology Menopause - management, risks, and benefits of therapy	Treatment/Care Decisions
Ophthalmology Conjunctivitis Viral conjunctivitis	Treatment/Care Decisions
Psychiatry Somatoform disorders Somatic symptom disorder	Treatment/Care Decisions
Geriatric Syndromes Urinary tract infections in the elderly	Treatment/Care Decisions
Geriatric Syndromes Incontinence in the elderly	Testing
Geriatric Syndromes Incontinence in the elderly	Treatment/Care Decisions
Geriatric Syndromes Rehabilitation and the elderly	Treatment/Care Decisions

## RESCORE INFORMATION

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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.](#)