

Updates to the CPPS exam and related offerings

The Certified Professional in Patient Safety (CPPSTM) certification exam and related offerings have been updated to align with a comprehensive job analysis conducted by CBPPS that considered current knowledge and skills related to the role of a patient safety professional. The updated CPPS exam will reflect the new exam content outline (ECO). The new CPPS exam consists of 100 scored items and 20 pre-test items (an increase from the current 10 pre-test items) covering 4 domains (a change from the current 5 domains). Candidates will have 2.5 hours to complete the exam (an increase from the current 2 hours). Exam prep material for the updated CPPS exam will be available beginning in October 2024. Please consult the chart below to compare the 2019 to 2024 CPPS ECO domains.

Current CPPS Certification Offerings	Future CPPS Certification Offerings
(through November 11, 2024)	(effective November 12, 2024)
Exam Content Outline	Exam Content Outline
 Culture Leadership Patient Safety Risks and Solutions Measuring and Improving Performance Systems Thinking and Design/Human Factors 	 Culture Systems Thinking, Human Factors Engineering, and Design Safety Risks and Responses Performance Measurement, Analysis, Improvement and Monitoring
Exam Content Outline for CPPS exams administered BEFORE or ON 11/11/2024	Exam Content Outline for CPPS exams administered ON or AFTER 11/12/2024
Exam Specifications	Exam Specifications
Number of items: 100 scored; 10 pre-test (110 total)	Number of items: 100 scored; 20 pre-test (120 total)
Administration time: 120 minutes	Administration time: 150 minutes
Pricing	Pricing
CPPS Review Course, \$395	CPPS Review Course, \$449
CPPS Practice Exam, \$85	CPPS Practice Exam, \$99
CPPS Exam, \$449*	CPPS Exam, \$549*
CPPS Recertification, \$175*	CPPS Recertification, \$225*
*Additional international fee applies	*Additional international fee applies
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Pricing Note: The new CPPS pricing reflects modest increases to account for increases from our vendors over the years. The prices for our certification offerings have remained stable since 2019, despite annual increases from our vendors during this period. These adjustments are necessary to ensure the strength and vitality of the certification program for years to come.