

### Passing Score ("Cut Score")

An extensive standard-setting study was conducted in 2013 by NBEO with the support of Alpine Testing Solutions, Inc. to determine an appropriate passing score for the CPDO exam. Based on the participating subject matter experts' decisions concerning the scorable items and subsequent statistical analysis, a passing score was determined.

The recommendation for the passing or cut-score for the March 2014 administration of CPDO was 101 correct answers out of 158 total scored items. For this exam, two items were deleted due to Council recommendation and Board approval. There were 160 total items on the CPDO exam.