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April 21, 2020

Dear colleagues,

It has come to our attention that cancelling the fall 2020 simulated office oral component of the Certification Examination in Family Medicine could erroneously be interpreted as merely postponing this component until the next exam sitting.

For those who are taking the exam for the first time this year, Certification in the College of Family Physicians of Canada will be awarded upon achieving a passing score based solely on the written (short-answer management problem) component of the examination.

The same applies to candidates writing this year’s Examination of Added Competence in Emergency Medicine, with the oral component having been cancelled. For those who are taking this examination for the first time, a Certificate of Added Competence in Emergency Medicine will be awarded upon achieving a passing score based solely on the written component of the exam.

Please note:
- The written component of the Certification Examination in Family Medicine will be held on October 13, 14, 15, and 16, 2020.
- The written component of the Examination of Added Competence in Emergency Medicine will be held September 14, 2020.

Additional information will be distributed soon regarding:
- Options for taking the written components of these exams
- How candidates who are retaking the examinations will be managed

Sincerely,

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