

**SPECIALTY EXAM: DERMATOLOGY**

Refer to data section (table below) in order to quantify. After reviewing the medical record documentation, identify the level of examination. Circle the level of examination within the appropriate grid in Section 5 (Page 3).

Performed and Documented	Level of Exam
One to five bullets	Problem Focused
Six to eleven bullets	Expanded Problem Focused
Twelve or more bullets	Detailed
At least one bullet in <b>each</b> box with an unshaded border <b>AND</b> every bullet in <b>each</b> box with a shaded border.	Comprehensive

(Circle each bullet that is documented.)

**NOTE:** For the descriptions of the elements of examination containing the words "and", "and/or", only one (1) of those elements must be documented.

System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inspection of conjunctivae and lids</li> </ul>
Neck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Examination of thyroid (e.g., enlargement, tenderness, mass)</li> </ul>
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Examination of peripheral vascular system by observation (e.g., swelling, varicosities) and palpation (e.g., pulses, temperature, edema, tenderness)</li> </ul>
Extremities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inspection and palpation of digits and nails (e.g., clubbing, cyanosis, inflammation, petechiae, ischemia, infections, nodes)</li> </ul>
Gastrointestinal (Abdomen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Examination of liver and spleen</li> <li>● Examination of anus for condyloma and other lesions</li> </ul>
Lymphatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Palpation of lymph nodes in neck, axillae, groin and/or other location</li> </ul>
Neurological/Psychiatric	Brief assessment of mental status including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Orientation to time, place and person</li> <li>● Mood and affect (e.g., depression, anxiety, agitation)</li> </ul>

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System/Body Area	Elements of Examination
Constitutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Measurement of <b>any three of the following seven vital signs:</b> 1) sitting or standing blood pressure, 2) supine blood pressure, 3) pulse rate and regularity, 4) respiration, 5) temperature, 6) height, 7) weight (May be measured and recorded by ancillary staff)</li> <li>● General appearance of patient (e.g., development, nutrition, body habitus, deformities, attention to grooming)</li> </ul>
Ears, Nose, Mouth and Throat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inspection of lips, teeth and gums</li> <li>● Examination of oropharynx (e.g., oral mucosa, hard and soft palates, tongue, tonsils, posterior pharynx)</li> </ul>
Skin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Palpation of scalp and inspection of hair of scalp, eyebrows, face, chest, pubic area (when indicated) and extremities</li> <li>● Inspection and/or palpation of skin and subcutaneous tissue (e.g., rashes, lesions, ulcers, susceptibility to and presence of photo damage) in <b>eight of the following ten areas:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Head, including the face</li> <li>● Neck</li> <li>● Chest, including breasts and axillae</li> <li>● Abdomen</li> <li>● Genitalia, groin, buttocks</li> <li>● Back</li> <li>● Right upper extremity</li> <li>● Left upper extremity</li> <li>● Right lower extremity</li> <li>● Left lower extremity</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>NOTE: For the comprehensive level, the examination of at least eight anatomic areas must be performed and documented. For the three lower levels of examination, each body area is counted separately. For example, inspection and/or palpation of the skin and subcutaneous tissue of the right upper extremity and the left upper extremity constitutes two elements.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Inspection of eccrine and apocrine glands of skin and subcutaneous tissue with identification and location of any hyperhidrosis, chromhidroses or bromhidrosis.</li> </ul>

Note: The Head/Face, Respiratory, Chest (Breasts), Genitourinary, and Musculoskeletal systems/body area are not integral parts of this specialty exam.

(Enter the number of circled bullets in the boxes below. Then circle the appropriate level of care.)

<b>EXAM</b>	One to Five Bullets	Six to Eleven Bullets	Twelve or more Bullets	Answer the following two questions. If both answers are "yes," the appropriate level of exam is comprehensive.  Was at least one bullet documented in each unshaded box? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  Was each bullet in each shaded box documented? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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