

TITLE: Adoption of Praxis Licensure Exam for Health Occupations (5052)

The Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) approves the following Praxis exam:

License Field	Praxis Test	New Test Available	Cut Score
Career and Technical Education (CTE) Health Services	(5052) Health Occupations	Available Now	152

- The content of the Health Occupations test is primarily based on the National Health Science Standards, as established by the [National Consortium for Health Science Education \(NCHSE\)](#). These standards, which serve as the foundation for the test, were last updated in May 2019
- Effective immediately, HTSB will accept passing scores from the Health Occupations Praxis test mentioned above to meet the content requirements for HTSB's CTE Health Services license field.
- HTSB will notify its Educator Preparation Programs (EPPs) and the Hawai'i Department of Education (HIDOE) about the adoption of the Health Occupations Praxis.

Rationale/Background:

[The Educational Testing Service \(ETS\)](#) keeps the content of the Praxis tests up to date and aligned with professionally accepted standards. Tests are reviewed annually. ETS involves stakeholders in this process by asking them to nominate teachers and teacher educators to serve on Test Development Standing Committees and National Advisory Committees (NACs).

ETS actively recruits educators, educators from educational preparation programs at universities and colleges, organizational representation, and other stakeholders with the content and teaching backgrounds from across the nation.

HTSB currently does not offer a CTE Health Occupations test that would allow teachers to add CTE Health Services to their license. The adoption of this test will now provide teachers with a means to meet the content knowledge requirements for this licensure field.

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