

This Exam Outline was developed to help you prepare for the knowledge exam.

This Exam Outline is not meant to cover all aspects of the knowledge exam, but to guide your preparation for questions that may occur in the knowledge exam.

Review:

- Common cytological findings for:
 - o Types of carcinomas
 - Types of lymphomas
 - o Melanoma, recognition
 - o Benign reactive mesothelial cells
 - o Dyskeratosis/atypical parakeratosis
 - o Mesothelioma
- PAP test screening interval indications, diagnosis determination by cellular presentation, normal and abnormal findings, sampling amounts
- Common tests sensitivity for indicating diagnoses such as HPV
- Common procedures indication, contraindications, management
- Warthin-Starry silver stain and Giemsa stains
- Fine needle aspiration techniques, tissue types
- Types of immunocytochemical stains indications
- Cytologic criteria for distinguishing types of lesions
- Specimen management, slides, complications,
- Cerebral spinal fluid diagnosis determination by cellular presentation