

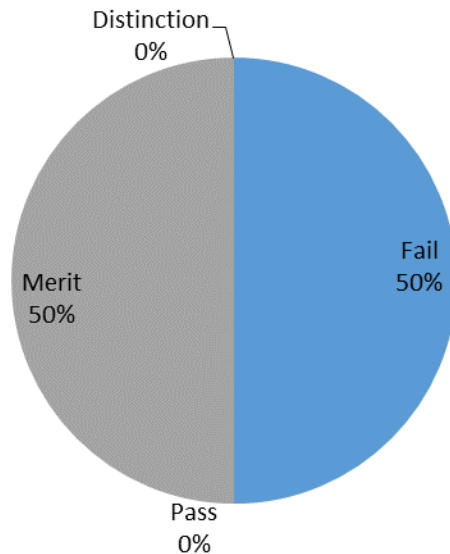


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## 4415-300/4419-330 - Level 3 Certificate in Medical Terminology

### Examiner's report – June 2014 series



*The pass mark range for this examination is 75%. However, as each examination paper is unique there can be slight variations of difficulty from series to series – which means that students are required to gain either more or fewer raw marks to compensate and to gain a pass.*

#### **Areas of good performance**

There were some excellent candidates who showed a wide knowledge and understanding of medical terms. They gave full explanations in their answers and demonstrated ability across the whole examination paper.

#### **Question 1**

The majority of candidates scored well on this question although there were a few very weak candidates.

#### **Questions 4, 5 & 6**

These were well answered by the majority of candidates.

#### **Areas for improvement**

There were a few very poor papers demonstrating lack of knowledge and understanding of the stated terms. Some candidates spelling was poor and many failed to demonstrate an understanding of the required medical terms which gave an indication of them having no idea of medical context.



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### Question 2

A few candidates demonstrated a complete lack of knowledge and understanding of medical words. In this question candidates are given the meanings of terms and are required to provide the appropriate medical term.

### Questions 3 & 7

These questions, as usual, produced difficulty for weaker candidates. There is obvious evidence of simply rote learning by some candidates, which unfortunately fails to achieve the correct explanation. The context of the question in the stated passage for questions one and seven should assist those candidates who have a deeper knowledge of medical terms and conditions.

### Medical terms least known

Corticosteroids	intra-articular	aseptic	lesions	neuropathy
Abdominocentesis	auscultation	aspiration	adipose	catheter
Micturition	urinalysis			

### Abbreviations

BI    APH    FBS    Fe    FH    ung    ChB

### Meanings

Tumour of cartilage    discharge of pus    excessive vomiting

### Recommendations and tips

Candidates should take care to read the paper carefully. Those who do not do so make silly mistakes. Marks are awarded for correct spelling of medical terms. Some knowledge of the body is essential in order to understand medical terminology and its application. Tutors require a sound working knowledge of the subject in order to give correct tuition to their students. Medical terminology is in context and appropriate answers show an understanding of this.