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SOCIAL COUNSELOR 1*

EXAMINATION METHOD: The examination for Social Counselor 1 consists of a multiple choice written test. To be eligible for employment consideration an applicant must attain a passing score of 70 or greater on the test. An applicant's standing or rank on an eligible list is based on this score.

TEST SUMMARY: The written test consists of 103 multiple choice questions divided into five test sections. Each test section has been designed to assess the knowledge, skills, and abilities required to effectively receive the formal and informal training provided to new employee. The five test sections are:

Reading Passages and Answering Questions About Content – The questions contained in this section are designed to assess the extent to which an applicant will be able to learn specific components or aspects of the job through the reading of written technical materials. (16 questions)

Word Meanings – The questions contained in this section have been designed to assess applicants' communication skills by measuring their knowledge of word meanings. (21 questions)

Analyzing Situations – The questions contained in this section have been designed to assess an applicant's ability to understand and interpret guidelines or policies governing situational decision-making, and to apply the guidelines to specific situations in order to choose the most appropriate action or decision. (22 questions)

Recognizing Errors in Sentences – The questions contained in this section of the examination have been designed to assess applicants' writing ability by measuring the extent to which they can detect either grammatical or standard English usage errors in sentences. (21 questions)

Social Counseling Applications – The questions contained in this section of the examination have been designed to assess an applicant's knowledge of and ability to apply social counseling concepts which are utilized in various service delivery situations. (23 questions)