

REPORT TO THE PROFESSION 2016

The National Board for Certification of Orthopaedic Technologists, Inc. continues its diligent work in maintaining the validity of the OTC® credential. The NBCOT OTC® secured NCCA reaccreditation for another five years.

The NBCOT has implemented a monthly Item Writing Webinar for those OTCs interested in gaining CEUs and becoming involved with the NBCOT and the Certification Examination process. More information about Item Writing can be found within the CEU Guidelines and on www.nbcot.net

Total current active OTCs as of December 31, 2016: 1,448.

2016 Recertification Report

In the year 2016 there were 197 OTCs due to re-certify.

29% recertified by CEUs,

12% recertified by testing.

The total of OTCs that recertified in 2015 was 41%.

8 OTCs attempted to recertify by examination but failed resulting in the loss of their credential.

Testing Report 2016:

319 candidates that tested for the OTC Credential

52% passed the OTC Examination – 48% Failed

The breakdown of candidates are as follows:

First time testers: 188

Re-testers (Previously failed): 67

Recertifying by Exam: 41

Lapsed OTCs: 22 Tested to regain credential.

No Show: 1

The passing scaled score for the OTC Examination: 700.

The average passing grade was 751 while the average failing grade was 620.