

REPORT TO THE PROFESSION 2017

The National Board for Certification of Orthopaedic Technologists, Inc. continues its diligent work in maintaining the validity of the OTC® credential.

As of January 1, 2017, the Continuing Education Guidelines were updated to provide the OTC® credential holders more of an opportunity to maintain their certification by CEUs. All credential holders are urged to review the latest CEU Guidelines which are found on the NBCOT website.

Total current active OTCs as of December 31, 2017: 1,619

2017 Recertification Report

In the year 2017 there were 191 OTCs due to re-certify.

27% recertified by CEUs,

12% recertified by testing.

The total of OTCs that recertified in 2017 was 39%.

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

Testing Report 2017:

282 candidates that tested for the OTC Credential

61% passed the OTC Examination – 39% Failed

The breakdown of candidates are as follows:

First time testers: 174

Re-testers (Previously failed): 61

Recertifying by Exam: 32

Lapsed OTCs: 16 Tested to regain credential.

No Show: 2

The passing scaled score for the OTC Examination: 700.

The average passing grade was 764 while the average failing grade was 612.