



AMERICAN BOARD OF SURGERY

**VASCULAR SURGERY: CONTENT OUTLINE FOR THE
CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION READMISSION EXAMINATION**

*The Vascular Surgery Continuous Certification Readmission Examination is a one-day exam, with about 250 multiple-choice questions and lasting approximately 6 hours. The exam is administered in four 90-minute sessions, with optional 10-minute breaks after sessions one and three, and one longer 40-minute break offered between the second and third session. **Once a session has concluded, you will not be able to revisit those questions.***

| TOPIC | WEIGHT* |
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| <i>Patient Care – Vascular Surgery</i> | 70% |
| A. Cerebrovascular | 8% |
| B. Upper Extremity | 2% |
| C. Thoracic Outlet Syndromes | 2% |
| D. Abdominal/Iliac/Peripheral Arterial Aneurysms | 8% |
| E. Lower Extremity Occlusive Disease | 8% |
| F. Mesenteric | 4% |
| G. Renal | 2% |
| H. Thoracic Aorta | 4% |
| I. Venous Disease | 8% |
| J. Liver/Portal Hypertension | 1% |
| K. Lymphatic Problems | 1% |
| L. Vascular Trauma | 3% |
| M. Angioaccess | 2% |
| N. Complications | 4% |
| O. Amputations | 2% |
| P. Imaging/Vascular Laboratory | 3% |
| Q. Vascular Medicine | 3% |
| R. Endovascular | 3% |
| S. Vascular Applied Science | 2% |
| <i>Patient Care – Core Surgery</i> | 6% |
| A. Abdomen - General | |
| B. Abdomen - Hernia | |
| C. Abdomen - Biliary | |
| D. Abdomen - Pancreas | |

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| E. Abdomen - Spleen | |
| F. Alimentary Tract - Esophagus | |
| G. Alimentary Tract - Stomach | |
| H. Alimentary Tract - Small Intestine | |
| I. Alimentary Tract - Large Intestine | |
| J. Endoscopy | |
| K. Endocrine | |
| L. Skin/Soft Tissue | |
| M. Non-Vascular Trauma | |
| N. Transplantation | |
| O. Thoracic Surgery | |
| P. Plastic Surgery | |
| Q. Genitourinary | |
| R. Head and Neck | |
| S. Nervous System | |
| <i>Surgical/Medical Knowledge</i> | 24% |
| A. Anesthesia | |
| B. Biostatistics and Evaluation of Evidence | |
| C. Ethics | |
| D. Fluids and Electrolytes | |
| E. Geriatric Surgery and End of Life Care | |
| F. Immunology | |
| G. Infection and Antimicrobial Therapy | |
| E. Minimally Invasive Surgery - Principles | |
| F. Nutrition and Metabolism | |
| G. Pharmacology | |
| H. Preoperative Evaluation and Perioperative Care | |
| I. Surgical Critical Care | |
| J. Transfusion and Disorders of Coagulation | |
| K. Wounds and Wound Healing | |

The topic categories listed above are aligned with those of the [SCORE® Curriculum Outline for Vascular Surgery](#).

*Approximate percentage of questions to be included. Actual percentages may vary slightly from year to year.