

**2015 QME Course****Test Questions**

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- \_\_\_ 1. A specific industrial injury is an event/injury that causes objective medical losses that are rateable.                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 2. Cumulative trauma is a repetitive work activity that, over a period of time, cause losses or objective findings that are considered ratable under the AMA Guides 5<sup>th</sup> Edition.                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 3. All your Medical-Legal reports should end with the statement *“based on reasonable medical probability”*                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 4. Labor Code §4664 does not require the evaluator to subtract out the percentage of disability from a previous injury before arriving at a percentage of disability for the current injury under the “wholeperson” theory.                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 5. You can apportion temporary and permanent disability.                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 6. You cannot apportion to risk factors.                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 7. For every conclusion you write in your report you have to put “I can state all of my conclusions are based on reasonable medical probability”                      True                      False
- \_\_\_ 8. A red flag to help you identify injured workers who are dissatisfied with their care includes:
- a. Increase in calls to doctors office by injured worker
  - b. Change of address by the injured worker
  - c. Utilization review decisions that deny referral to specialists
  - d. All of the above
  - e. None of the above
- \_\_\_ 9. What are signs of depression in an injured worker:
- a. Suicidal Gestures
  - b. Missed appointments
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- c. Feeling of increasing frustration with process
  - d. Demeanor
  - e. All of the above
  - f. None of the above
- \_\_\_ 10. When evaluating an injured worker, can the depression factor be apportioned out?  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 11. The medical history is an important first component in a Permanent & Stationary report.  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 12. Adjuster can override utilization review decisions:  
a. Always  
b. Never  
c. If permitted by carrier
- \_\_\_ 13. Performing EMG and nerve conduction testing requires how many simultaneous activities.  
a. 1  
b. 3  
c. 5  
d. 7
- \_\_\_ 14. The accuracy of the EMG and nerve conduction testing is extremely operator dependent.      True      False
- \_\_\_ 15. One erroneous nerve conduction interpretation is that a cold, unwarmed extremity slows nerve conduction.  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 16. An estimated or inaccurate limb measurement renders an incorrect nerve conduction velocity.  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 17. Patient obesity, perspiration, and body lotions degrade recoding of potentials.  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 18. The main job of a medical-legal evaluator is to resolve disputes.  
True      False
- \_\_\_ 19. Since use of the AMA Guides is mandatory for rating permanent disability, it is no longer possible for an injured worker's impairment to rate 100% of permanent disability.      True      False
- \_\_\_ 20. There is only one correct way to rebut the strict rating of the AMA Guides 5<sup>th</sup> Edition.  
True      False

- \_\_\_ 21. Physicians may utilize “Figures” in the AMA Guides 5<sup>th</sup> Edition as well as “tables” and “measurements” to calculate an alternative ratings.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 22. There is no specific guidance on what constitutes substantial evidence for a Guzman rebuttal.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 23. In order to rebut a strict AMA Guides rating, the evaluator must find that the injury is “complex” and “extraordinary.”  
True False
- \_\_\_ 24. Physicians may rate impairments based on “loss of function.”  
True False
- \_\_\_ 25. Physicians may not rate impairments that are not scheduled in the AMA Guides.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 26. An appropriate impairment determination cannot be 0% caused by non-industrial factors.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 27. Neither medical treatment nor temporary disability is apportionable.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 28. The Labor Code does not mandate that apportionment percentage determination for one body part must be applied to all industrially injured body parts.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 29. Labor Code §4663 does not require a physician to allocate PD between multiple work injuries.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 30. Consideration of allocation between/among industrial injuries is required unless the evaluator cannot parcel out the effects of each injury.  
True False
- \_\_\_ 31. If you cannot decide if one or more of the injuries is more significant than the other, they are not inextricably intertwined. The injuries are equal in causation to each other.  
True False

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