

Updated for 2025

Cytopathology Exam Blueprint	Approximate %	
	Written/Practical	Virtual Microscopy
Cervical/vaginal cytology	13	14
Other Lower Anogenital tract, men and women (anal,		
vulvar)		
Female Genital (endometrium, upper tract)		
Male GU (testis, prostate, code lower genital tract and skin		
elsewhere)		
Pleural and Pericardial effusions	8	13
Peritoneal effusions		
Pelvic washings		
Synovial fluid	4	3
Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)		
CNS and Eye (other than CSF)		
The Urinary Tract	5	7
Respiratory Exfoliative (Sputum, brushing, washing)	8	13
Lung FNA		
Esophageal	1	0
Stomach		
Small Bowel, Large Bowel and Appendix (see lower genital		
tract for anal)		
Liver	5	6
Biliary and gallbladder	6	9
Pancreas		
Salivary Gland FNA	5	7
Thyroid and Parathyroid FNA	8	9
Lymph Node FNA	5	4
Head and Neck, Intraoral: see specific organs and soft	5	3
tissue if not listed		
Breast and nipple	1	1
Mediastinum and Retroperitoneum	4	3
Kidneys	3	4
Adrenal glands		
Superficial lumps, skin scrapings (see soft tissue also)	4	4
Soft tissue		
Bone		
Cytopathology Laboratory Administration, Management,	15	0
Techniques and Procedures		
Total Percentage	100	100
Total Number of Questions in Each Section		70
Total Hours Allotted for Each Section		3 Hrs 48 Mins