**44:74:02:17.  Nurse aide competency evaluation program standards.** A nurse aide competency evaluation program shall meet the following standards:

 (1)  The nurse aide shall be informed by the facility that a record of successful completion of the evaluation will be included in the registry;

 (2)  The evaluation shall consist of two elements:

 (a)  The competency evaluation component may be offered as either a written or oral examination. This component of the evaluation shall:

 (i)  Include each curriculum requirement specified in § 44:74:02:15;

 (ii)  Be developed from a pool of test questions, with no more than 20 percent of prior questions used on a succeeding examination;

 (iii)  Use a system that prevents disclosure of the content of the examination; and

 (iv)  If oral, be read from a prepared text in a neutral manner;

 (b)  The skills demonstration component shall consist of a minimum of five tasks randomly selected from a pool of tasks generally performed by nurse aides. The pool of skills shall include all of the personal care skills listed in subdivision 44:74:02:15(3)(b). The skills demonstration tasks shall be performed on a live person.

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