

The Infinite Actuary – Group and Health DP Exam – Syllabus Changes

FALL 2019 EXAM RESTRUCTURING

Exam Restructuring as of Fall 2019

As announced earlier, the SOA restructured the Health track FSA exams beginning in Fall 2019. Moving from **Core, Advanced and Specialty**, the new exams are **DP, FV and Specialty**.

DP consists of **DP-C** (material formerly on the Core exam) and **DP-A** (material formerly on the Advanced exam).

FV consists of **FV-C** (material formerly on the Core exam) and **FV-A** (material formerly on the Advanced exam).

Students will be able to take various combinations of the DP and FV exams to suit their needs, depending on what current exam credit they have. Please see this post for more information:

http://theinfiniteactuary.com/blogs/exam_gh_dp/?p=14

DP EXAM – SPRING 2020 SYLLABUS CHANGES

Overview

This syllabus is valid for Spring 2020 and Fall 2020 sessions. It is my expectation that the DP exam will now follow this timing where the syllabus changes will take place after the Fall sessions.

This document highlights material that is completely new to the syllabus, material that has been revised (i.e. new version of the textbook was released, typically with minor changes to those chapters), and material that has been removed from the syllabus.

Objective 1 – Plan Provisions (Part of DP-C)

Overview – this was formerly Objective 1 of the Core exam

- **New Material**
 - Combination Products: An Accelerated Education, Product Matters, Jul 2019
- **Revised Material**
 - None
- **Removed Material**
 - Combo Long-term Care Products: A Solution to Address Market Needs

Objective 2 – Manual Rates (Part of DP-C)

Overview – this was formerly Objective 2 of the Core exam

- **New Material**
 - GHDP-133-20: Health Insurance Fee (HIF) Paper
- **Revised Material**
 - None
- **Removed Material**
 - None

Objective 3 – Employee Benefit Strategy (Part of DP-C)

Overview – this was formerly Objective 3 of the Core exam

- **New Material**
 - GHDP-134-20: Top 10 Technology Trends in Health Insurance: 2018
- **Revised Material**
 - None
- **Removed Material**
 - None

Objective 4 – Provider Reimbursement (Part of DP-A)

Overview – this was formerly Objective 1 of the Advanced exam

- **New Material**
 - GHDP-135-20: Value Based Pharmacy: A Canadian Example
- **Revised Material**
 - GHDP-125-20: Ch. 22.1-22.3 and 22.6-22.7 of Healthcare Risk Adjustment and Predictive Modeling, Duncan, 2nd Edition (*added Ch. 22.1-22.3*)
- **Removed Material**
 - GHDP-110-15: Commonwealth Fund Paper – The Final Rule for the Medicare Shared Savings Program

Objective 5 – Underwriting (Part of DP-A)

Overview – this was formerly Objective 4 of the Advanced exam

- **New Material**
 - GHDP-136-20: Illustrative Examples on Experience Rating and Funding Methods
 - GHDP-137-20: Short Term Disability Example
 - Best Estimate Assumption for Expenses, CIA Educational Note, Nov 2006, pp. 19.39
- **Revised Material**
 - None
- **Removed Material**
 - None