Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology® (EPPP) Frequently Asked Questions

EPPP Beta Test	
Purpose	**Q: What is a Beta Test? What purpose does it serve?**
	A: The beta test serves two important purposes. First, it helps the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards® (ASPPB) evaluate the exam's functionality and candidate experience before the integrated EPPP becomes available in Fall 2027. Second, it provides the performance data needed to establish the exam's passing score using accepted testing and psychometric practices. Together, these efforts help ensure that the exam is fair, valid, and accurately measures the knowledge and skills required for professional practice.
Eligibility	**Q: Who will be eligible to take the EPPP Beta Test?**
	A: To participate in the EPPP Beta Test, candidates must be **first-time EPPP test takers** and be approved through the licensure track of an ASPPB Member Jurisdiction. Only licensing boards or colleges that have elected to take part in the EPPP Beta opportunity will have access to the EPPP Beta Test and be able to approve candidates for the EPPP Beta Test. The licensing board or college determines a candidate's eligibility to participate. The ASPPB Board of Directors recommends that candidates: • Have completed the coursework required for a doctoral degree program that is acceptable to their licensing board or college; and • Have completed all, or the majority, of their required supervised experience, as determined by their licensing board or college. These recommendations are intended to help ensure candidates have the foundational knowledge and professional experience needed to meaningfully participate in the beta testing process and successfully demonstrate readiness for licensure-level assessment.

	Q: Will only doctoral-level candidates be eligible to take the Beta Test?
	A: Although the Board recommends that eligible candidates complete the coursework required for a doctoral degree program, the EPPP Beta Test will be available to both master's and doctoral-level candidates who meet the eligibility requirements established by their participating licensing board or college. The candidate's licensing board or college will determine eligibility and approval for participation.
The Role of Jurisdictions	**Q: How can jurisdictions assist with the EPPP Beta Test participation?**
	A: ASPPB encourages participating jurisdictions to share information about the EPPP Beta with eligible licensure applicants. Broad candidate participation is essential to the success of the beta testing process. The more candidates who participate, and the more diverse they are, the more robust the data available for psychometric analyses and standard-setting activities. These analyses are critical to establishing a valid, fair, and defensible passing score for the integrated EPPP and helping ensure a successful transition to the new examination.
Incentives	**Q: What are the incentives for candidates to take the EPPP Beta Test?**
	A: The EPPP Beta Test offers several advantages for eligible candidates: • The EPPP Beta Test fee is only $100 USD (plus the Pearson VUE sitting fee of $91.88 USD). • Candidates who pass the EPPP Beta Test will have their result recognized as a passing result for the EPPP (Part 1-Knowledge). • Candidates who do not pass the EPPP Beta Test will not have the result counted as a failed attempt on the EPPP (Part 1-Knowledge). • Candidates may take the EPPP Beta Test only once. Those who do not pass the exam will not be eligible to retake it. However, these candidates will be eligible to take the EPPP (Part 1-Knowledge) at a discounted examination fee of $100 USD (plus the applicable Pearson VUE sitting fee).
Cost	**Q: How much will the EPPP Beta Test cost?**
	A: The fee for the EPPP Beta Test is $100 USD, plus the current Pearson VUE sitting fee of $91.88 USD. The total cost to take the EPPP Beta Test is $191.88 USD.

Registration	**Q: How will eligible candidates register to take the EPPP Beta Test?**
	A: Eligible candidates who are approved by their licensing board or college to participate in the EPPP Beta Test may be granted access to the examination. Once approved, candidates will receive an email with instructions for activating/accessing their account in Clarus, ASPPB's online EPPP Candidate Registration System. Candidates should follow the instructions provided in the email to complete the registration process and secure an available testing appointment during the beta testing period (March-April 2027).
Testing Period	**Q: When will candidates be able to take the EPPP Beta Test?**
	A: The EPPP Beta Testing Period will be March-April 2027. Eligible candidates must complete the EPPP Beta Test within this period.
Scores	**Q: When will the scores be available for those who take the EPPP Beta Test?**
	A: EPPP Beta Test results are expected to be available in late June 2027. Unlike the current EPPP, results will not be available immediately following the examination. Score release will be delayed until enough candidates have completed the EPPP Beta Test. This allows ASPPB to conduct comprehensive item and examination analyses, evaluate overall exam performance, and complete the standard-setting process used to establish the final passing score. Once these analyses are complete and the passing score is finalized, ASPPB will release official EPPP Beta Test results to candidates and their participating licensing boards or colleges. This process helps ensure that the examination is scored fairly and that the passing standard is valid, reliable, and defensible.
Languages	**Q: Is the EPPP Beta Test available in French for eligible candidates?**
	A: The EPPP Beta Test will be administered in English only and will not be available in French.