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Look to the heart of every credentialing program, and you'll find the same thing: candidates. Some seek professional certifications; others, licenses to practice in their fields. In all cases, the credentials are a public testament to the special knowledge and skills of the individual. They are a signal to society that the holder is qualified – to lead, to heal, to teach, to perform, to advise.

That's why it is critically important that professionals who hold credentials have earned the credentials they hold. Credentialing programs facilitate public trust; they help the economy work; and they enable individuals to contribute and to earn.

When any candidate presents for examination, your program has two obligations: to ensure that the candidate is exactly who they say they are, and to provide a smooth and stress-free check-in process. These are the purpose of biometric-enabled check-in.

Enhanced candidate identification builds program value

In the traditional check-in process, a candidate will present two forms of photo identification, and a letter of eligibility. The test center administrators will perform a visual check of the IDs, compare the information on the IDs to the candidate information in the registration system (and on the eligibility), and make a reasonable determination that the person before them is the person in the photos.
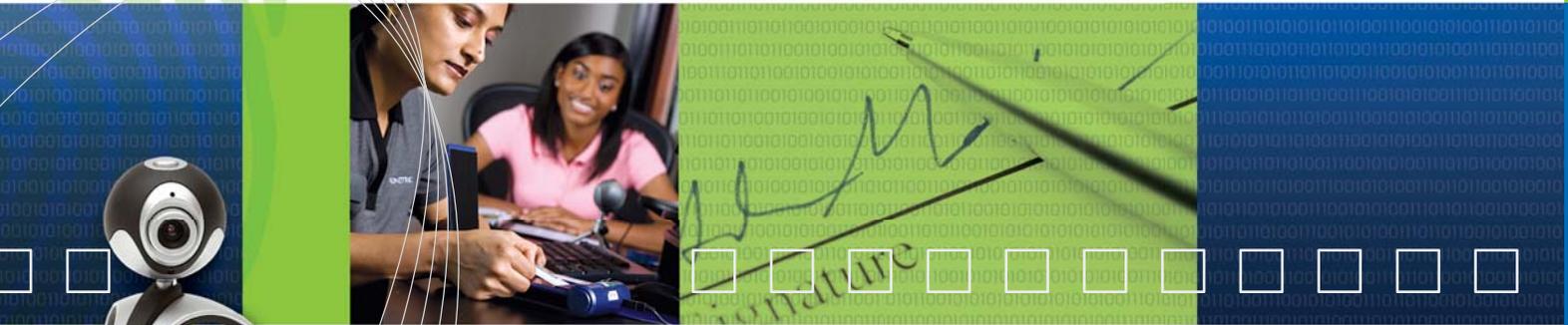
Biometric-enabled check-in employs four additional technologies to ensure a more robust ID verification process. Using special scanning devices, the test administrator validates the ID by comparing the electronic information encoded on the candidate's government-issued ID to the information printed on the front of the card. Next, the candidate's fingertip is scanned, creating a secure record of the person holding the ID. This captured pattern is digitally encrypted for security and transmitted to ChoicePoint (a Lexis-Nexis company), who compares the image against a robust database of millions of fingerprints of candidates who have presented for previous examinations.

Finally, the administrator captures a test-day image of the candidate to document the event. If conflicting information is uncovered at any stage of the biometric-enabled check-in process, the program manager is notified along with the test results.

These quick and simple steps – which take only minutes to perform – greatly enhance the security process, creating a significant deterrent to proxy testing and protecting the value of your credentialing program.

A smooth check-in to ensure candidate satisfaction

Biometric-enabled check-in, from Prometric, uses technology to speed the check-in process, reducing the candidate's stress load while verifying ID in real time. Advanced optical character recognition software quickly gathers information from the candidate's ID card. A magnetic reader pulls government-encoded information from the ID card's magnetic strip, extracts the candidate's image, and validates the expiration date, all in one swipe. And a simple and unthreatening fingertip

scanner reads the finger pattern on the candidate's fingertip, while internet-enabled software digitally transmits the encrypted file to a secure site, that performs an immediate, behind-the-scene image verification. The end result is streamlined information processing and a smooth candidate check-in.

Biometric-enabled Check-in at a Glance

✓ Protects value of your credentialing program

✓ Increases candidates' perception of security (and value)

✓ Deters proxy testing with a highly visible and measurable system

✓ Helps protects your intellectual property from proxy testers

✓ Provides an enhanced method of identity verification to validate the candidate has not previously presented under a different name

✓ Improves overall testing experience

✓ Facilitates candidate lifecycle management, by managing individual candidate profiles across their multi-program testing lifecycle

✓ Provides a legally defensible testing program

✓ Is adaptable to varying international laws

✓ Keeps candidate ID information secure

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