



### **Strength of Credential Statement**

*The ABCP's examination programs have been developed in collaboration with expert psychometric consultants at Professional Testing, our third-party testing vendor.*

*Professional Testing brings scientific rigor, objectivity, and decades of experience with high stakes competency examinations into the ABCP credentialing program. Their specialized knowledge in test development, item analysis, standard setting, psychometric analysis, and data management contributes to the overall quality and credibility of the certification examination process.*

*Together we build the ABCP certification examination program drawing from conformity with existing industry standards including, but not limited to:*

- *Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing (AERA, APA, NCME). Commonly known as the "Testing Standards," these guidelines are jointly developed by the American Educational Research Association (AERA), the American Psychological Association (APA), and the National Council on Measurement in Education (NCME). The Testing Standards provide comprehensive principles and guidelines for designing, developing, administering, and interpreting educational and psychological assessments. They cover topics such as validity, reliability, fairness, test development, test administration, test score interpretation, and reporting of results.*
- *Code of Fair Testing Practices in Education (Joint Committee on Testing Practices): The Code of Fair Testing Practices, developed by the Joint Committee on Testing Practices, provides guidelines for fair testing practices in educational settings. It focuses on issues such as test development, administration, scoring, interpretation, and reporting of results. The code emphasizes fairness, validity, reliability, and ethical considerations in testing.*
- *Test Taker Rights and Responsibilities (Joint Committee on Testing Practices). American Psychological Association (APA Online).*
- *The Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures. Issued to help employers make equitable employment decisions, such as for hiring and selection, retention, and test use, in accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act.*

*These standards represent the procedures, methodologies and policies that enhance the validity, reliability, fairness, and defensibility of the ABCP credential and support fulfillment of our program's mission in maintaining the trust and confidence of the public, and profession.*