

## TREASURY DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF
THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
WASHINGTON

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Assistant Surgeon Lawrence Kolb,

United States Public Health Service,

Ellis Island, New York.

Sir: (Through Chief Medical Officer)

You are informed that the requirements in the new regulations approved March 4, 1913, for the mental examination for promotion to the grade of Passed Assistant Surgeon are as follows:

Par. 42. Examinations for promotion shall be made chiefly in writing, but may be supplemented, in the discretion of the examiners, by an oral examination on any subject connected with the official and professional duties of the officer. Candidates for promotion of whatever rank must show themselves proficient in all the regulations governing the service and the publications of the service\*\*\*\*\*\*

Par. 48. An assistant surgeon in order to be recommended for promotion must obtain an average mark of 80 per cent and not less than 70 in any of the following branches:

(1) Practice of medicine; (2) practice of surgery; (3) obstetrics and diseases of women; (4) Hygiene; (5) epidemiology;

(6) pathology and bacteriology; (7) regulations. The examination will be in writing, and the candidate must satisfy the board that he has been diligent in keeping himself informed of the advancement in the practice of his profession since his appointment into the service.

It will be seen from the above that examinations in anatomy, physiology and chemistry are no longer required, but practical application of these branches may be included in the examinations held, particularly in the branches of practice of medicine and surgery.

This information is furnished you on account of the near approach of your examination for promotion to the grade of Passed Assistant Surgeon.

Respectfully.

Truper Steel.

Surgeon General.