

# Orientation & Mobility Certification Test Preparation Modules

Webinar Series:  
Review Study Guide – Module I: Professional  
Information

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## PaTTAN's Mission

The mission of the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) is to support the efforts and initiatives of the Bureau of Special Education, and to build the capacity of local educational agencies to serve students who receive special education services.

## PDE's Commitment to Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)

Our goal for each child is to ensure Individualized Education Program (IEP) teams begin with the general education setting with the use of Supplementary Aids and Services before considering a more restrictive environment.

## Module I: Professional Information

I.1 Identify professional resources to obtain services, support, and/or information related to visual impairment.

A. How would an O&M specialist utilize the following resources for services and/or information?

1. VA Blind Centers
2. Private agencies for the blind and visually impaired
3. State schools for the blind and visually impaired
4. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
5. Department of Education

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- B. What are the benefits to an O&M specialist to know about and utilize the following as professional resources for support and information?
1. ACVREP
  2. ER
  3. AFB
  4. CEC
  5. IMC
  6. JVIB
  7. Regional O&M professional associations

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- C. What are three consumer organizations and what are their missions?
- 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.

## Module I: Professional Information

I.2 Given a scenario, identify ethical conduct as related to the practice of O&M.

- A. Review the history and development of the Code of Ethics for Orientation and Mobility Specialist
- B. Review the ACVREP Code of Ethics for Orientation and Mobility Specialist
- C. Review the ACVREP Enforcement Policy

## Module I: Professional Information

I.3 Identify the major historical events responsible for the establishment and advancement of the O&M profession.

- A. How did the following advance the O&M profession?
  - 1. WWII
  - 2. Valley Forge Army Hospital
  - 3. Avon Program
  - 4. Hines Hospital
  - 5. Gloucester Conference
  - 6. Boston College
  - 7. Development of the O&M certification program
  - 8. COMSTAC Report

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B. How did the following individuals influence the advancement of the O&M profession?

1. Richard Hoover
2. Dorothy Eustis
3. C. Warren Bledsoe
4. Russell William
5. France Campbell
6. Father Thomas Carroll
7. Mary E. Switzer

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C. Who are the first six mobility specialists and what contribution did they make to the advancement of the O&M profession?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

## Wrap-Up

Questions?  
Clarifications?



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