

## Update as of May 13, 2019

## Updated Syllabus & New Sample Project

The June 2019 PA exam will have a different look from the one presented in December 2018. A new sample project has been added to the syllabus document that is in the exact same format as the June assessment.

The updated syllabus with a new sample project can be found on the <u>PA Exam webpage</u>. The new sample project can be found on page 8 of the syllabus.

Note that the June 2019 syllabus does not include the two "cheat sheets" that were available at the December 2018 exam administration. These cheat sheets will not be provided at the Prometric centers. While this information was provided in the syllabus originally published in February, we are reiterating it here for your benefit.

## **Module Updates**

A description of previously published updates to module material may be viewed via the update page, on the PA Exam Updates page.

Additionally, information has been relayed to the SOA regarding compatibility issues between module packages and the R version installed. If you have an older version of R (such as 3.5.0) and install a package it may turn out to be aligned with the current version (3.6.0) and not compatible with an older version. A global solution is to update to 3.6.0 and then update all the packages (there is update button within RStudio for package updates). A local solution is to go to the package's homepage and download an earlier version of the package. To install a downloaded package, simply unzip the file and place the resulting folder in the same folder where all other packages are stored. This can be identified via the .libPaths() command.

For those using the frozen version of R, our testing indicates it is compatible with version 3.6.0. However, installing the frozen version when using 3.6.0 will lead to your system downloading numerous packages. This should only happen once.

Prometric computers will have version 3.5.0 of R on the day of your exam.