Chapter 2

Rehabilitation Counseling Professional Competencies

*1.* Why was the scope of practice statement in rehabilitation counseling created?

*a.* Provide a comprehensive and detailed listing of all competencies related to counseling practice

*b.* To explicitly identify the rehabilitation counseling scope of practice for the public, clients of services, related professional groups, and regulatory bodies

*c.* Required by legislation in some states

*d.* Needed by educators in their training curriculums

Answer: b. To explicitly identify the rehabilitation counseling scope of practice for the public, clients of services, related professional groups, and regulatory bodies

*2.* What is the primary purpose of role and function research?

*a.* Determine the number of RCs practicing today

*b.* Identify the specific professional tasks and functions needed for successful practice

*c.* Identify the knowledge requirements associated with a specific task

*d.* Determine the level of activity associated with tasks

Answer: b. Identify the specific professional tasks and functions needed for successful practice

*3.* How have the findings from knowledge validation and professional competencies approaches been applied within the discipline of rehabilitation counseling?

*a.* The empirical basis for accreditation standards

*b.* Used to inform the scope of practice statement

*c.* Used to set the test specifications for the national certifying examination

*d.* All of the above are true

Answer: d. All of the above are true

*4.* What is the most significant factor of variability within the role of the RC in practice?

*a.* Educational preparation

*b.* Years of experience

*c.* Specific practice settings

*d.* Licensure status

Answer: c. Specific practice settings

*5.* What is the distinction between vertical and horizontal specialization within rehabilitation counseling?

*a.* There is no distinction in relation to practice

*b.* Vertical specialization refers to the elevation of a function to a role, while horizontal specialization covers all the functions, but specializing in a particular client group

*c.* Vertical specialization is the modern term, whereas horizontal specialization refers to the way practice was conceptualized years ago

*d.* All of the above are true

Answer: b. Vertical specialization refers to the elevation of a function to a role, while horizontal specialization covers all the functions, but specializing in a particular client group