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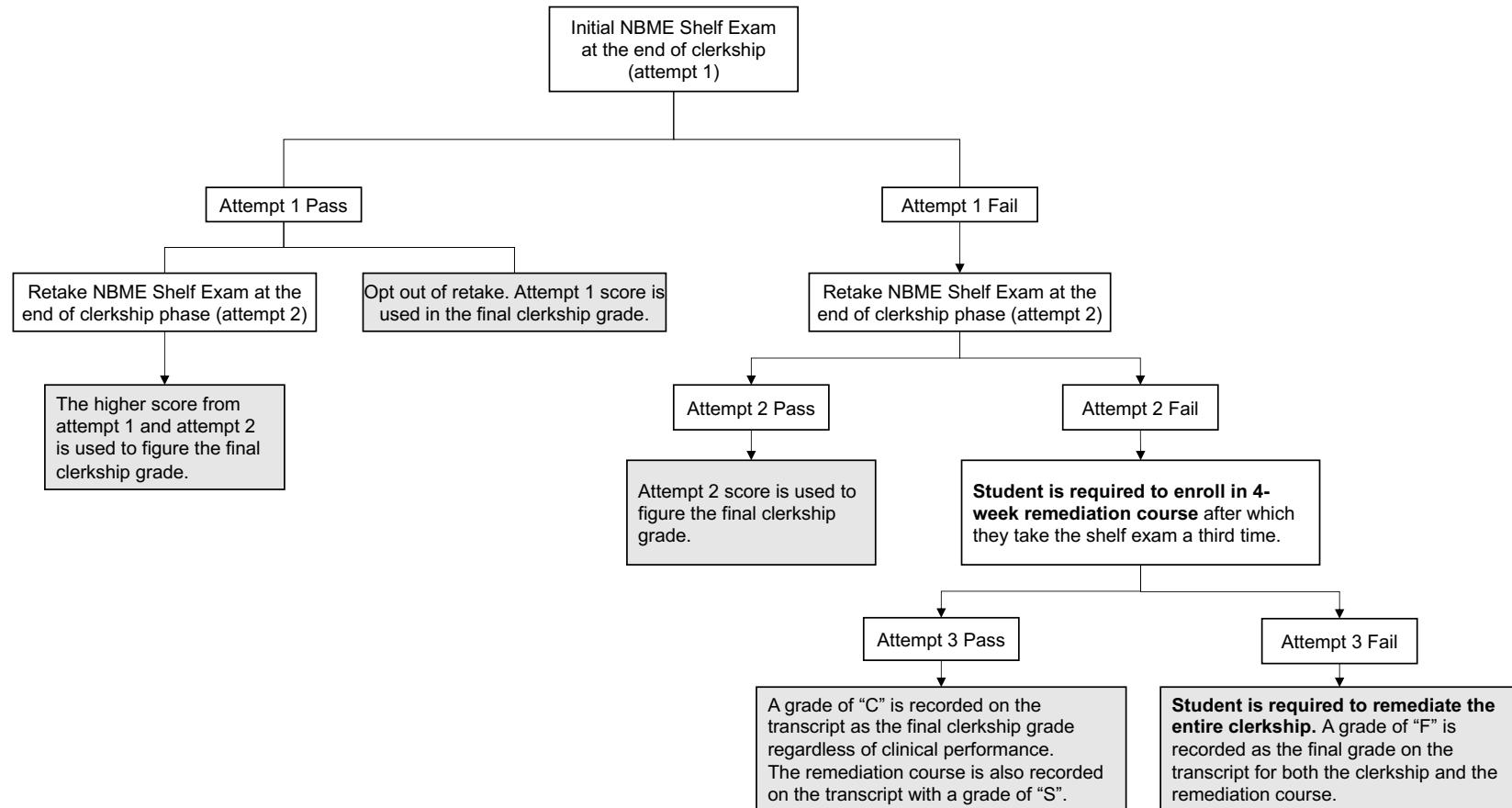
Shelf Exam Retake Opt Out Policy

Regardless of clerkship grade, students are automatically scheduled to take the retake shelf exams unless they choose to opt out. Students may elect to opt out of the exam for any clerkship in which they have a “C” or above after the administration of the first shelf exam. Students in the PGY-1 Pathway, the Dual Degree Pathway, and the Advanced Research Pathway must have a “B” or above after the administration of the first shelf exam in order to opt out if they wish to remain in that Pathway.



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Appendix A: NBME Retake Exam Flowchart



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