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comments: Appendix E of Draft Revision 9 of NUREG-1021 prohibits discussing any portion of the Operating Exam (which includes JPMs) with anyone who was not on the same simulator crew prior to the exit meeting. The reason given in the standard is that this prohibition helps preserve test integrity and fairness. By prohibiting persons from discussing completed JPMs, situations are arising where candidates are placed in a room together (under the control of an instructor) and each of the candidates in the room have completed the same JPMs. This restriction prevents the candidates from discussing the one thing they want to discuss, i.e., "How did you do on that JPM." If everyone in the room has already seen the JPM, there does not seem to be any issues related to integrity, fairness, exam security, etc. Additionally, taking an instructor to prevent these candidates from discussing the JPMs takes up resources when it seems there are no issues with exam security at all. Additionally, we have to monitor individuals while at the training center to ensure they do not discuss JPMs but when they leave for the day they are not on an exam security agreement but are on the honor system to not discuss JPMs. And lastly, the fact that the candidates are in the same room with individuals who have seen the JPMs but preventing them from talking about the JPMs adds undue stress to the candidates.

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