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• CCNA Wireless validates candidate's skills in the configuration, implementation and support of wireless LANs, specifically those networks using Cisco equipment.

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