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Alabama	Alabama Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Graduation from a college/school of medicine: accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education of the American Medical Association; accredited by the American Osteopathic Association; or non-accredited if approved by Board, applicant obtains ECFMG certification, and school listed at the time of graduation in WHO or IMED (discontinued in 2015) directory.	25 hours CE credit annually	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.albme.gov/licensing/md-do/license-types/full-license#eligibility-requirements">https://www.albme.gov/licensing/md-do/license-types/full-license#eligibility-requirements</a>	Yes
Alaska	Alaska State Medical Board	Physician License	Except for foreign medical graduates, each physician applicant shall submit a certificate of graduation from a legally chartered medical school accredited by the Association of American Medical Colleges and the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association.  For foreign medical graduates, verification from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) of successful ECFMG certification, or a certified true copy of the applicant's certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). Applicants who are graduates of medical colleges not accredited by the Association of American Medical Colleges and the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association shall have successfully completed three years of postgraduate training as evidenced by a certificate of completion of the first year of postgraduate training from the facility where the applicant completed the first year of internship or residency and a certificate of successful completion of two additional years of postgraduate training at a recognized hospital; or other requirements establishing proof of competency and professional qualifications as the board considers necessary including education in pain management and opioid use and addiction, unless the applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant does not currently hold a valid federal Drug Enforcement Administration registration number; an applicant may include past professional experience or professional education as proof of professional competence.	CE requirement every 2 years - 50 hours	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/StateMedicalBoard.aspx">https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/StateMedicalBoard.aspx</a>	Yes
American Samoa	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Undetermined
Arizona	Arizona Medical Board	Physician License	Graduate from an approved school of medicine or receive a medical education that the board deems to be of equivalent quality. Verification of ECFMG certification if the applicant graduated from an unapproved school of medicine.	40 hours of CME credits per licensure cycle	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.azmd.gov/Licensure/Licensure">https://www.azmd.gov/Licensure/Licensure</a>	Yes
Arkansas	Arkansas State Medical Board	Physician License	Be a graduate of an approved medical school and request your school provide a certified copy of your transcript directly to the board.  Foreign medical school graduates: Present a Standard ECFMG Certificate. Graduate of "a foreign medical school whose entrance requirements and course of instruction have been approved by the Board."	CE requirement 20 hours each year, 10 hours in their practice specialty	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.armedicalboard.org/Practitioner.aspx">https://www.armedicalboard.org/Practitioner.aspx</a>	Yes
California	California, Medical Board of	Physician License	To be eligible for licensure in California, you must have received all of your medical school education from and graduated from a: U.S. or Canadian medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME), the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools, or the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation; or LCME Accredited U.S. Programs. OR A foreign medical school which has been evaluated by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or one of the ECFMG authorized foreign medical school accreditation agencies and deemed to meet the minimum requirements substantially equivalent to the requirements of medical schools accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools, or the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation. The foreign medical school must be listed on the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME) and the Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research (FAIMER) World Directory of Medical Schools joint directory, or the World Directory of Medical Schools; or World Directory of Medical Schools. AND A foreign medical school that has been approved by the Medical Board of California (Board).	CE requirement 50 hours each biennial renewal cycle	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.mbc.ca.gov/Licensing/Physicians-and-Surgeons/Apply/Physicians-and-Surgeons-License/Medical-Education.aspx">https://www.mbc.ca.gov/Licensing/Physicians-and-Surgeons/Apply/Physicians-and-Surgeons-License/Medical-Education.aspx</a>	Yes
Colorado	Colorado Medical Board	Physician License	Proof of graduation from medical school. Certification verification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).	substance abuse training CE	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dpo.colorado.gov/Medical/Applications">https://dpo.colorado.gov/Medical/Applications</a>	Yes
Connecticut	Connecticut Department of Public Health	Physician License	Graduated with the M.D. or D.O. degree from a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA). Hold current certification by the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or have completed an American Medical Association certified Fifth Pathway Program.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing-investigations/physician/graduates-of-medical-schools-located-outside-the-united-states">https://portal.ct.gov/dph/practitioner-licensing-investigations/physician/graduates-of-medical-schools-located-outside-the-united-states</a>	Yes

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DC	DC Board of Medicine	Physician License	The Graduate Medical Education (GME) program director's attestation that the postgraduate physician has graduated from an accredited U.S. or foreign medical school. If a graduate of a medical school outside the U.S. or Canada, the original of a currently valid Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certification.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years (specific course requirements)	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/physician-licensing">https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/physician-licensing</a>	Yes
Delaware	Delaware Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline	Physician License	A copy of your current and valid Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certificate if you graduated from a foreign medical school. A copy of your Postgraduate Education Training Certificate(s) following these guidelines: Only training programs are those that have been approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education will be accepted. If you graduated from a program approved by the American Medical Association (AMA) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) in the U.S. (or U.S. territory) or Canada, you must have completed one year of postgraduate training in the U.S. If you did not graduate from an AMA- or AOA-approved program, you must have completed three years of postgraduate training in the U.S.	CE requirement 20 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/physlicense/">https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/physlicense/</a>	Yes
Federated States of Micronesia	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Undetermined
Florida	Florida Board of Medicine	Physician License	Be a graduate of an Allopathic U.S. Medical School recognized and approved by the U.S. Office of Education and completed at least one year of approved residency training; OR be a graduate of an allopathic international medical school (IMG) and have a valid Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certificate and completed an approved residency of at least two years in one specialty area; OR be a graduate who has completed the formal requirements of an international medical school except the internship or social service requirement, passed Parts I and II of the NBME or ECFMG equivalent examination, and completed an academic year of supervised clinical training (Fifth Pathway) and completed an approved residency of at least two years in one specialty area.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years (7 hours in mandatory topics)	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/">https://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/</a>	Yes
Georgia	Georgia Composite Medical Board	Physician License	Graduate of a doctoral program accredited by the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association. Provide ECFMG certification.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years (7 hours in mandatory topics)	1 year postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/licensure-information/physician">https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/licensure-information/physician</a>	Yes
Guam	Guam Board of Medical Examiners	Medical License	Possess the degree of Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy, Bachelor of Medicine or Osteopathy, or a Board-approved equivalent based on satisfactory completion of educational programs acceptable to the Board. Applicants shall be eligible by virtue of their medical education and training for unrestricted licensure or authorization to practice medicine in the country in which they received that education and training. All international medical graduates must be certified by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). If you are an international medical graduate, request from ECFMG that a notarized copy of your ECFMG certificate, a copy of your Status Report of ECFMG Certification, and your Fifth Pathway Program Certificate (if applicable) be sent to the Board.	CE requirement 100 hours every two years	36 months postgraduate training, with at least two (2) of those years completed in the USA	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://guamhpl.org/gbme">https://guamhpl.org/gbme</a>	Yes
Hawaii	Hawaii Medical Board	Physician License	MD degree from an LCME-accredited medical school in the U.S. or Canada. Foreign medical school graduates can provide evidence of ECFMG	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/medical/application_publication/">https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/medical/application_publication/</a>	Yes
Idaho	Idaho Board of Medicine	Physician License	Graduate of a medical school accredited by the liaison committee on medical education, the commission on osteopathic college accreditation or a medical school listed in the world directory of medical schools or its equivalent.  International Medical School Requirements: An international medical school must be listed in the World Directory of Medical Schools, a joint venture of WFME and FAIMER. Graduates of schools not listed in WFME or FAIMER must submit to the Board original documentation of three (3) of the four (4) requirements listed below: a. A valid ECFMG Certificate. b. Successful completion of three (3) years of progressive post graduate training at one (1) training program accredited for internship, residency or fellowship training in an ACGME or ADA or Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or its successor organization's approved program. c. Current board certification by a specialty board approved by the American Board of Medical Specialties or the ADA. d. Evidence of five (5) years of unrestricted practice as a licensee of any United States or Canadian jurisdiction.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/IBOMPortal/BoardAdditional.aspx?Board=BOM&amp;BureauLinkID=100">https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/IBOMPortal/BoardAdditional.aspx?Board=BOM&amp;BureauLinkID=100</a>	Yes

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Illinois	Illinois Medical Board	Physician License	A graduate of a medical or osteopathic college in the United States, its territories or Canada, that the applicant has completed a 2 year course of instruction in a college of liberal arts, or its equivalent, and a course of instruction in a medical or osteopathic college approved by the Department or by a private, not for profit accrediting body approved by the Department, and in addition thereto, a course of postgraduate clinical training of not less than 12 months as approved by the Department; or that the applicant is a graduate of a medical or osteopathic college located outside the United States, its territories or Canada, and that the degree conferred is officially recognized by the country for the purposes of licensure, that the applicant has completed a 2 year course of instruction in a college of liberal arts or its equivalent, and a course of instruction in a medical or osteopathic college approved by the Department, which course shall have been not less than 132 weeks in duration and shall have been completed within a period of not less than 35 months, and, in addition thereto, has completed a course of postgraduate clinical training of not less than 12 months.	CE requirement 150 hours every three years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/physicians.html">https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/physicians.html</a>	Yes
Indiana	Indiana, Medical Licensing Board of	Physician License	Degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy from a Board approved medical school.  Indiana's Approved Foreign Medical Schools: Ross University of Medicine as of 12/20/1984	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/medical-physicians-and-osteopathic-physicians-home/medical-licensing-information/#~:text=Possess%20the%20degree%20of%20doctor,of%20medicine%20or%20osteopathic%20medicine">https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/medical-physicians-and-osteopathic-physicians-home/medical-licensing-information/#~:text=Possess%20the%20degree%20of%20doctor,of%20medicine%20or%20osteopathic%20medicine</a>	Yes
Iowa	Iowa Medicine Board	Physician License	Medical degree from an educational institution accredited by the LCME or the AOA. If the applicant does not hold a medical degree from an institution approved by the board, the applicant shall meet one of the following requirements: - Hold a valid certificate issued by the ECFMG; - Have successfully completed a fifth pathway program established in accordance with AMA criteria; - Have successfully passed either a basic science examination administered by a U.S. or Canadian medical licensing authority or SPEX, and have successfully completed three years of postgraduate training in a program approved by the board, and submitted evidence of five years of active practice without restriction as a licensee of any U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction; or - Have successfully passed either a basic science examination administered by a U.S. or Canadian medical licensing authority or SPEX and hold board certification by a specialty board approved by ABMS or the AOA, and submit evidence of five years of active practice without restriction as a licensee of any U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dial.iowa.gov/i-need/licenses/medical/physician/how-do-i-physician">https://dial.iowa.gov/i-need/licenses/medical/physician/how-do-i-physician</a>	Yes
Kansas	Kansas Board of Healing Arts	Physician License	Graduate of an accredited healing arts school or college; and pass an examination prescribed and conducted by the board covering the subjects incident to the practice of the branch of healing art for which the applicant applies. If the applicant does not meet the requirements above to take the examination for licensure the board may authorize an applicant to take the examination if the applicant: has completed three years of postgraduate training as approved by the board; is a graduate of a school in which the graduates have been licensed in another state or states which has standards similar to Kansas; and meets all other requirements for taking the examination for licensure of the Kansas healing arts act.  If the applicant is a foreign medical graduate the applicant shall pass an examination given by the educational commission for foreign medical graduates.	CE requirement 50 hours annually (specific course requirements)	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="http://www.ksbha.org/formpages/licensureforms.shtml#mdforms">http://www.ksbha.org/formpages/licensureforms.shtml#mdforms</a>	Yes
Kentucky	Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure	Medical License	Graduate from a medical school approved by the Board. All medical schools located in the United States and Canada approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or the Canadian Medical Association are approved by the Board. Medical education obtained outside the United States or Canada is evaluated by the Board on an individual basis and must be listed in the World Health Organization directory of medical schools. International medical graduates must possess permanent ECFMG certification or written proof of being a diplomat of an approved American specialty board.	CE requirement 60 hours every three years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://kbml.ky.gov/physician/Pages/default.aspx">https://kbml.ky.gov/physician/Pages/default.aspx</a>	Yes
Louisiana	Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Hold an allopathic (M.D.) degree or an osteopathic (D.O.) degree from a medical college in good standing with the board who holds a license, permit, certification, or registration issued by the board to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana. Doctors of allopathic medicine (M.D.) and doctors of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) shall be accorded equal professional status and unrestricted privileges in the practice of medicine. International medical graduates must possess a standard Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certificate (if applicable).	CE requirement 40 hours every 2 years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.lsbme.la.gov/content/application-instructions-initial-licensure-fellowship-training-permit">https://www.lsbme.la.gov/content/application-instructions-initial-licensure-fellowship-training-permit</a>	Yes

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Maine	Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine	Medical License	Graduate from an accredited U.S. or Canadian medical school. INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES: Graduate from a school listed in the latest edition of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates IMED list of medical schools and provide acceptable evidence of one of the following: a) Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) examination certification. b) Certification of Foreign Medical Graduate Examination in the Medical Sciences (FMGEMS). c) VISA Qualifying Examination (VQE) examination certification.	CE requirement 40 hours every 2 years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.maine.gov/md/licensure/md-license">https://www.maine.gov/md/licensure/md-license</a>	Yes
Maryland	Maryland Board of Physicians	Physician License	Have a doctor of medicine degree from a school of medicine accredited by LCME at the time of the applicant's graduation and have successfully completed 1 year of postgraduate training at an accredited training program; have a doctor of medicine degree from any other medical school, have successfully completed the requirements for and obtained ECFMG certification, and have successfully completed 2 years of post-graduate training at an accredited training program; OR have a document stating that the applicant has successfully completed a fifth pathway program.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years (specific course requirements)	completed 2 years of postgraduate training at an accredited training program.	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure.aspx">https://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure.aspx</a>	Yes
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine	Physician License	Have completed and attended for four academic years of instruction, of not less than 32 weeks in each academic year, or courses which in the opinion of the Board are equivalent thereto, in one or more legally chartered medical schools, and have received the degree of doctor of medicine from a medical school accredited by the LCME, or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an osteopathic school accredited by the AOA. In order to be considered substantially equivalent, such medical education shall include: 1. Two academic years of basic science study, including: a. gross anatomy; b. biochemistry; c. pathology; d. physiology; e. microbiology; f. immunology; and g. pharmacology. 2. Two academic years of clinical study including: a. internal medicine; b. surgery; c. pediatrics; d. obstetrics and gynecology; e. public health and preventive medicine; and f. psychiatry. Clinical training must be substantially equivalent to the minimum standards required of United States medical school graduates. Applicant must submit documentation satisfactory to the Board that all clinical study was done: a. Under the direct control and approval of the medical school and under on-site supervision and evaluation by the faculty of the medical school in which the applicant was enrolled at the time of study, and in hospitals which have programs equivalent to ACGME or AOA approved programs in the area of clinical study; b. Clinical study done in the United States shall be in hospitals which have ACGME or AOA approved programs in the area of the clinical study. Clinical study done in Canada shall be in hospitals which have accredited Canadian postgraduate medical training programs. Supervising clinical faculty shall be physicians who are fully licensed by the jurisdiction where such study is done. ECFMG Certification. International medical graduates, other than graduates of a Fifth Pathway program, shall submit ECFMG certification valid as of the date of issuance.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years (specific course requirements)	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.mass.gov/apply-for-my-physician-or-acupuncture-license">https://www.mass.gov/apply-for-my-physician-or-acupuncture-license</a>	Yes
Michigan	Michigan Board of Medicine	Physician License	Graduate of an accredited medical school or Verification of your Educational Commission for the Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG)	CE requirement 150 hours every three years	Beginning June 1, 2022, completion of 2 hours of implicit bias training 2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/medical">https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/medical</a>	Yes
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Medical Practice	Physician License	Domestic Graduate Requirements: 1. Graduate of an accredited medical or osteopathic school located in the United States, its territories, or Canada. International Graduate Requirements: 1. Graduate of a medical school listed in the International Medical Education Directory (IMED). 2. Successfully complete two years of U.S./Canadian graduate, clinical medical training in an accredited program unless: a) admitted as a permanent immigrant to the United States as a person of exceptional ability in sciences pursuant to rules of the U.S. Department of Labor; or b) issued a permanent immigrant visa as a person of extraordinary ability or as an outstanding professor or researcher and has a valid medical license in another country; or c) licensed in another state and practiced 5 years without disciplinary action in the US/Canada, completed one year U.S./Canadian accredited training and passed SPEX within three attempts in 24 months prior to licensing. 3. ECFMG Certificate.	CE requirement 75 hours every three years	1 year postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/">https://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/</a>	Yes
Mississippi	Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure	Physician License	Graduate from a reputable medical college or college of osteopathic medicine that requires a four-year course of at least thirty-two (32) weeks for each session, or its equivalent. ECFMG Verification. If the applicant is a graduate of an international medical school, the applicant must request a status report from the ECFMG.	CE requirement 40 hours every 2 years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.msbl.ms.gov/node/388">https://www.msbl.ms.gov/node/388</a>	Yes

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Missouri	Missouri Board of Registration for the Healing Arts	Physician License	Graduate from a medical school accredited by the Liaison Commission on Medical Education of the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association's Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation, or other medical school program that enforces requirements of four (4) terms of thirty-two (32) weeks for actual instruction in each term, including, in addition to class work, such experience in operative and hospital work during the last two (2) years of instruction as is required by the American Medical Association.  INTERNATIONAL GRADUATES: must provide proof of licensure in the country you graduated from unless you were in a Fifth Pathway program and ECFMG Certificate or Status Report.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://pr.mo.gov/physiciansandsurgeons.asp">https://pr.mo.gov/physiciansandsurgeons.asp</a>	Yes
Montana	Montana Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Graduate of a medical school approved by the American Osteopathic Association or conforms to The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME).  Foreign graduates must have a certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG and from the Fifth Pathway Program, if applicable.	CE requirement 30 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/medical-examiners/license-information/">https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/medical-examiners/license-information/</a>	Yes
Nebraska	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	Physician License	Earn the degree of M.D. (Doctor of Medicine). Foreign medical school graduate: A permanent certificate by the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or successful completion of a program of American medical training designated as the Fifth Pathway and passage of the ECFMG Examination.	CE requirement 50 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Medicine-and-Surgery.aspx">https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Medicine-and-Surgery.aspx</a>	Yes
Nevada	Nevada Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Degree of Doctor of Medicine from a medical school: (1) approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education of the American Medical Association and Association of American Medical Colleges; or (2) a program which provides a course of professional instruction equivalent to that provided in medical schools in the United States approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education. If the applicant is a graduate of a medical school outside of the United States or Canada, the applicant must have been certified by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) or have successfully completed a "Fifth Pathway" program.	CME REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY Licensee Physicians, Special Purpose Physicians, Physician Assistants & Anesthesiologist Assistants: 40 Hours – If licensed prior to July 1, 2023, or during the first 6 months of the biennial period of registration (July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 of year one), then CME hours must include: 2 – Ethics; Pain Management; or Addiction Care; 2 – Misuse and Abuse of Controlled Substances; Prescribing of Opioids; or Addiction; 2 – Cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion; 2 - Screening, Brief Intervention & Referral to Treatment (SBIRT); 20 – Within scope of practice or specialty; 16 – Other Medicine	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/Physician/">https://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/Physician/</a>	Yes
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Medicine	Physician License	Graduate of a U.S. or Canadian medical school accredited by L.C.M.E. or graduate of a non-U.S. or Canadian medical school that maintains the academic standard recognized by the United Nations World Health Organization (UNWHO) and has their studies confirmed by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).	CE requirement 100 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.oplc.nh.gov/professional-licensing">https://www.oplc.nh.gov/professional-licensing</a>	Yes
New Jersey	New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Earned the degree of M.D. (Doctor of Medicine). ECFMG certificate which is required from applicants who graduated from medical school outside the U.S.	CE requirement 100 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/bme/Pages/FAQ.aspx">https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/bme/Pages/FAQ.aspx</a>	Yes
New Mexico	New Mexico Medical Board	Physician License	Graduate from a board approved school, completed a program determined by the board to be substantially equivalent to a U.S. medical school, based on board review of a full ECFMG certification, or the board shall determine if the applicant's total educational and professional clinical experience is substantially equivalent to that which is required for licensure in New Mexico.	75 hours of CME credits per licensure cycle	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.nmmb.state.nm.us/licensing_info/physician_licenses.html">https://www.nmmb.state.nm.us/licensing_info/physician_licenses.html</a>	Yes

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New York	New York State Department of Health	Physician License	<p>Satisfactory completion of 60 semester hours of college study from a New York State registered program or the equivalent as determined by the New York State Education Department.</p> <p>Graduates of Registered or Accredited Medical Programs: Satisfactory completion of a medical program registered by the New York State Education Department as licensure-qualifying* or accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and have received the degree of Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, or the equivalent. *Does not include schools outside the U.S. that have received Department approval solely to contract for medical clinical experiences (clerkships) in New York State.</p> <p>Graduates of Non-accredited Medical Programs Satisfactory completion of the following: A curriculum of not less than 32 months (4 academic years) in a medical program recognized as an acceptable educational program for physicians by the appropriate civil authorities of the country in which the school is located and receipt of the degree of Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, or the equivalent as determined by the Department. You must complete the final year of medical education at the school that awarded you the degree.</p> <p>A satisfactory proficiency examination. Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certification will satisfy this requirement.</p>	CE requirement 75 hours every three years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.op.nysed.gov/physicians">https://www.op.nysed.gov/physicians</a>	Yes
North Carolina	North Carolina Medical Board	Physician License	Graduates of International Medical Schools must have a current ECFMG certificate or have completed a 5th pathway program.	CE requirement 60 hours every three years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.ncmedboard.org/licensure/licensing/physicians/full-application">https://www.ncmedboard.org/licensure/licensing/physicians/full-application</a>	Yes
North Dakota	North Dakota Board of Medicine	Physician License	<p>Graduates of United States and Canadian schools: An applicant who is a graduate of an approved medical or osteopathic school located in the United States, its possessions, territories, or Canada, shall present evidence, satisfactory to the board, that the applicant has been awarded a degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy from a medical school located in the United States, its possessions, territories, or Canada, approved by the board or by an accrediting body approved by the board at the time the degree was conferred.</p> <p>Graduates of international schools: An applicant who is a graduate of a medical school not located in the United States, its possessions, territories, or Canada, shall present evidence, satisfactory to the board, that the applicant possesses the degree of doctor of medicine or a board-approved equivalent based on satisfactory completion of educational programs acceptable to the board. Graduates of osteopathic schools located outside the United States are not eligible for licensure.</p>	CE requirement 60 hours every three years	30 months postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.ndbom.org/practitioners/register.asp">https://www.ndbom.org/practitioners/register.asp</a>	Yes
Northern Mariana	Northern Mariana Islands Healthcare Professions Licensing Board	Physician License	Degree of Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy or a document showing proof that applicant holds a valid ECFMG certificate (if applicable).	Unknown	3-year Postgraduate training (residency, internship, board certificates)	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.cnmilicensing.gov/mp/health-care-professions-licensing-board/">https://www.cnmilicensing.gov/mp/health-care-professions-licensing-board/</a>	Yes
Ohio	Ohio, State Medical Board of	Physician License	<p>US/Canadian Medical Graduates: Graduates of medical schools located in the U.S. or Canada and accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) must successfully complete one year of graduate medical education (GME) or its equivalent as determined by the Board.</p> <p>Foreign Medical Graduates: Graduates of foreign medical schools must successfully complete not less than two years of GME through the second-year level of training or have completed a Fifth Pathway program plus 1 year of GME or its equivalent as determined by the Board and hold a valid ECFMG certificate unless they have completed a Fifth Pathway program.</p>	CE requirement 50 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://med.ohio.gov/apply-and-renew/licenses-and-certifications/01-physician-(md,-do,-dpm)">https://med.ohio.gov/apply-and-renew/licenses-and-certifications/01-physician-(md,-do,-dpm)</a>	Yes
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Board of Medicine	Physician License	<p>Degree of Doctor of Medicine or a Board-approved equivalent based on satisfactory completion of educational programs from a foreign medical school as evidenced by recognized national and international resources available to the Board. In the event the foreign medical school utilized clerkships in the United States, its territories or possession, such clerkships shall have been performed in hospitals and schools that have programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).</p> <p>Graduates of foreign medical schools must provide verification of ECFMG certification. More information can be found in section G, number 2 of these instructions.</p>	CE requirement 60 hours every three years	1-2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://pay.apps.ok.gov/medlic/licensing/app/menu.php">https://pay.apps.ok.gov/medlic/licensing/app/menu.php</a>	Yes

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Oregon	Oregon Medical Board	Physician License	<p>US Medical Graduates: Must have graduated from a school offering a full-time resident program of study in medicine or osteopathic medicine leading to a degree of Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, such program having been fully accredited or conditionally approved by the Liaison Committee of Medical Education, or the American Osteopathic Association, or having been otherwise determined by the Board to meet the association standards.</p> <p>International Medical Graduates: Must have graduated from an international school of medicine: (a) The medical school must be chartered in the country in which it is located and must provide a resident course of professional instruction, be accredited by an accrediting organization acceptable to the Board, or be recognized by the appropriate civil authorities of the country in which the school is located as an acceptable education program. (b) The graduate must have attended at least four full terms of instruction of eight months each, with all courses having been completed by physical on-site attendance in the country in which the school is chartered. The requirement for four full terms of instruction of eight months each term may be waived for any applicant for licensure who has graduated from an international school of medicine, has substantially complied with the attendance requirements provided herein, and is certified by a specialty board. (c) Any clinical clerkships obtained in a country other than that in which the school is chartered must be satisfactorily completed.</p>	CE requirement 60 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training (1 year for approved schools)	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/omb/licensing/pages/default.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/omb/licensing/pages/default.aspx</a>	Yes
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Medical Board	Physician License	Doctorate Degree from an accredited medical college (within the United States/Canada) or from an unaccredited medical college (outside of the United State/Canada). Certification by the ECFMG.	CE requirement 100 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Medicine/Pages/Physician-Surgeon-Licensure-Requirements-Snapshot.aspx">https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Medicine/Pages/Physician-Surgeon-Licensure-Requirements-Snapshot.aspx</a>	Yes
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline	Medicine and Surgery License	Completion of all academic studies for a career as a physician, surgeon or osteopath from a university whose curriculum is accepted by and registered with the Board of Medical Examiners (board).	Completion of a Board Sponsored CME Course which is in SPANISH	1 year of approved ACGME Training in an Internship/Residency/Fellowship for International Medical School Graduates	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.salud.pr.gov/CMS/120">https://www.salud.pr.gov/CMS/120</a>	Yes
Republic of Palau	Republic of Palau Ministry of Health and Human Services	Physician License	Graduate of a health professions program or the equivalent as approved by the Board and be a graduate of an educational program which prepares students for the level of licensing being sought and which is approved by the Board.	To assure quality patient care, the Board shall establish continuing education requirements for health professionals to renew licenses.	Unknown	Unknown	<a href="https://www.palau.gov/pw/executive-branch/ministries/health/">https://www.palau.gov/pw/executive-branch/ministries/health/</a>	Yes
Republic of the Marshall Islands	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Undetermined
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Department of Health	Physician License	<p>Qualifications for Licensure:</p> <p>Allopathic Physicians - Graduate of a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee for Medical Education (LCME); or graduate of a medical school located outside the United States which is recognized by the World Health Organization and the Board and have received certification by the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).</p> <p>Osteopathic Physicians - Graduate of an osteopathic medical school located in the United States that is accredited by the American Osteopathic Association.</p>	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=200">https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=200</a>	Yes
South Carolina	South Carolina Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Graduate from a medical school located in the United States (US) or Canada that is accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or other accrediting body approved by the board; or graduate from a school of osteopathic medicine located in the US or Canada accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation or other accrediting body approved by the board; graduate from a medical school located outside the United States or Canada who possess a permanent Standard Certificate from the Education Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). The board may waive the ECFMG or Fifth Pathway requirement if the applicant is to have a full-time academic faculty appointment at the rank of assistant professor or greater at a medical school in this State.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://lir.sc.gov/med/mddo.aspx">https://lir.sc.gov/med/mddo.aspx</a>	Yes
South Dakota	South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners	Physician License	Graduate and receive a diploma from a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation, or a medical school listed in the International Medical Education Directory or its equivalent.	None	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-physicians/">https://www.sdbmoe.gov/professions-physicians/</a>	Yes
Tennessee	Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	<p>US Medical Graduates: Graduate of a medical school that is accredited by the LCME.</p> <p>International Medical Graduates: Graduate of a medical school whose standards meet or exceed the standards of the LCME; ECFMG certificate.</p>	CE requirements 40 hours every two years	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/me-board/me-board/licensure.html">https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/me-board/me-board/licensure.html</a>	Yes

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Texas	Texas Medical Board	Physician License	<p>Graduates of US/Canada medical schools: graduate of an acceptable approved medical school, or any medical school and at the date of application to the Board or prior to approval for licensure by the Board hold a certificate from a specialty board that is a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties or the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists;</p> <p>Graduates of medical schools outside the US or Canada: graduate of medical school outside US or Canada that is an acceptable unapproved medical school (substantially equivalent to a Texas medical school and has not been disapproved by a state physician licensing or education agency); or any medical school and at the date of application to the Board or prior to approval for licensure by the Board hold a certificate from a specialty board that is a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties or the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists; and possess a valid certificate issued by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).</p> <p>Fifth Pathway Program: To be eligible for licensure, an applicant who has completed a Fifth Pathway Program must hold a certificate from: (A) an acceptable unapproved medical school; or any medical school and at the date of application to the Board or prior to approval for licensure by the Board hold a certificate from a specialty board that is a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties or the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists.</p>	CE requirement 48 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/physician-applicants">https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/physician-applicants</a>	Yes
Utah	Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing	Physician License	Earned degree of doctor of medicine from an LCME accredited medical school or college; or if the applicant graduated from a medical school or college located outside the United States or its territories, submitting a current certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates.	CE requirement 40 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dopl.utah.gov/physician-and-surgeon/apply-for-a-license/physician-and-surgeon/">https://dopl.utah.gov/physician-and-surgeon/apply-for-a-license/physician-and-surgeon/</a>	Yes
Vermont	Vermont Board of Medical Practice	Physician License	Completion of high school, or the equivalent, and at least two years of undergraduate postsecondary school; has graduated from a medical school accredited by an organization that is acceptable to the Board, or from a medical school that has been approved by the Board by rule, with a degree of doctor of medicine or an equivalent; ECFMG certificate. A graduate of a medical school outside the United States or Canada shall also submit evidence of certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates unless the individual qualifies for licensure as a Fifth Pathway applicant.	CE requirement 30 hours	3 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.healthvermont.gov/systems/board-medical-practice/applications-licensing-and-fees">https://www.healthvermont.gov/systems/board-medical-practice/applications-licensing-and-fees</a>	Yes
Virgin Islands	Virgin Islands Board of Medical Examiners	Physician License	Degree of Doctor of Medicine, Bachelor of Medicine or a Board-approved equivalent based on satisfactory completion of educational programs acceptable to the Board. Applicants shall be eligible by virtue of their medical education and training for unrestricted licensure or authorization to practice medicine in the country in which they received that education and training.	CE requirements 60 hours every two years	Completed a postgraduate medical training program approved by the Board or by a private nonprofit accrediting body approved by the Board in an institution in the United States, its territories or possessions or Canada approved by the Board or by a private nonprofit accrediting body approved by the Board. The program must be at least thirty-six (36) months.	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.vimedicalboard.org/">https://www.vimedicalboard.org/</a>	Yes
Virginia	Virginia Board of Medicine	Physician License	<p>Graduates of approved institutions: Graduate of approved institution (institution shall be approved or accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or other official accrediting body recognized by the American Medical Association, or by the Committee for the Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools or its appropriate subsidiary agencies or any other organization or accredited by the American Osteopathic Association Committee on Osteopathic College Accreditation or an organization approved by the board).</p> <p>For graduates of medical schools outside of the U.S. and Canada: Graduate of not approved institution, had supervised clinical training as a part of his curriculum in an approved hospital, institution or school of medicine offering an approved residency program in the specialty area for the clinical training received or in a program acceptable to the board and deemed a substantially equivalent experience, if such training was received in the United States; and ECFMG Certification.</p>	CE requirement 60 hours every two years	1 year postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/PractitionerResources/ApplicationInstructionsandForms/">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/PractitionerResources/ApplicationInstructionsandForms/</a>	Yes
Washington	Washington State Department of Health	Physician License	Graduation from an accredited or approved medical school and ECFMG Certificate, if international graduate.	CE requirement 200 hours every four years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://wmc.wa.gov/licensing/applications-and-forms/physician-md-application">https://wmc.wa.gov/licensing/applications-and-forms/physician-md-application</a>	Yes
West Virginia	West Virginia Board of Medicine	Physician License	Minimum qualifications for initial licensure as a medical doctor for applicants who graduated and received the degree of doctor of medicine or its equivalent from a Board or LCME approved school of medicine located within the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or Canada; and ECFMG certification for graduates of foreign medical schools.	CE requirement 50 hours during reporting period	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://wvbom.wv.gov/practitioners/MD/MedicalDocApplication.asp">https://wvbom.wv.gov/practitioners/MD/MedicalDocApplication.asp</a>	Yes



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Wisconsin	Wisconsin Department of Safety and Public Services	Physician License	<p>Graduate of a medical or osteopathic college approved by the board.</p> <p>If an applicant is a graduate of a foreign allopathic or osteopathic medical school, then the applicant must provide a verified certificate showing satisfactory completion of 24 months of postgraduate training in one or more programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the American Osteopathic Association, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or a successor organization; or documentary evidence that the applicant is currently enrolled in a postgraduate training program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the American Osteopathic Association, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or a successor organization and has received credit for 12 consecutive months of postgraduate training in that program and an unrestricted endorsement from the postgraduate training director that the applicant is expected to complete at least 24 months of postgraduate training.</p>	CE requirement 30 hours every two years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Physician/Default.aspx">https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Physician/Default.aspx</a>	Yes
Wyoming	Wyoming Board of Medicine	Physician License	To qualify for a training license (T-1 or T-2), an applicant must submit the following: Evidence that the applicant has graduated from a school of medicine accredited by the L.C.M.E., a school of osteopathy accredited by the A.O.A., or a Canadian-accredited school of medicine, or that the applicant has been certified by the E.C.F.M.G.	CE requirement 0 hours every three years	2 years postgraduate residency training	USMLE or other acceptable exams	<a href="https://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/physicians">https://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/physicians</a>	Yes