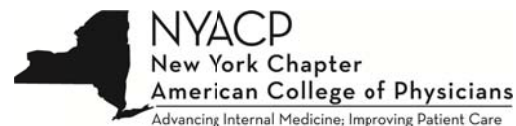


# HOW TO APPLY FOR NYS LICENSURE: INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES



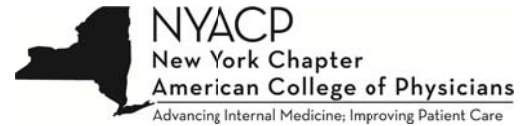
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- General Requirements
  - Age ≥21 and meeting education, examination, and experience requirements
  - Submit Application for Licensure: [Form 1 - Application for Licensure](#) with appropriate fee (\$735)
    - **\*TIP:** submit your application **as early as possible** (even during PGY-1 year), so that all documentation is in place. This will expedite receipt of your license on completion of PGY-3 year.
  - US citizenship or permanent resident status is NOT required. Applications will be considered from all legal residents who completed postgraduate training from accredited residency programs per below. However, they will be required to disclose their current immigration status on the application.
- Preprofessional Education Requirements
  - Completion of 60 semester hours of college study from a NYS registered program or the equivalent, as determined by the NYS Education Department
- Professional Education Requirements
  - 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.
  - A satisfactory proficiency examination. Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) certification will satisfy this requirement.
- Clerkship Requirements
  - If clinical clerkships were completed in a country other than where your medical school is located, **each clerkship must be certified via Form 2cc:** [Form 2CC - Certification of Approved Clinical Clerkship](#)
    - Section I is to be completed by you, Section II completed by the Director of Medical Education or Department Chair at the hospital where the clerkship was completed, then mailed directly to the Office of Professions by the hospital
    - If you attended a medical school that has been approved by the NYS Education Department to complete long-term clerkships in the US, you are **EXEMPT** from this requirement. (e.g. AUA, AUC, SABA, SGU- for complete list, see <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/med/medforms.htm> under Form 2CC)
- Child Abuse Identification Reporting Certification
  - Required; an exemption can be obtained if you will not provide care to patients <18 or >18 with a handicapping condition who reside in a residential facility.
  - For list of training providers and exemption form, see: <http://www.op.nysed.gov/training/camemo.htm>  
(Many classes can be completed online, with certificates directly transmitted to NYSED)
- Infection Control and Barrier Precautions Training
  - Required to be completed every four years. If training was completed during residency, certificate of completion or other documentation needed.
  - Certificate does not need to be submitted to NYSED but kept on file (may be requested by DOH, hospitals, etc.)

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- Proof of Education

- **Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS)** must be used to verify credentials from primary sources. This will also establish a repository of credentials and documents that be forwarded in the future. (Requires initial \$350 fee and \$75 ECFMG fee to establish file.)  
<http://www.fsmb.org/licensure/fcvs/>
- **\*TIP:** Create your FCVS profile **as early as possible**, even during your 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of residency to ensure it is complete, aside from the post-graduate training experience, by the time you apply for licensure.
- What documents are needed?
  - **Must be mailed: Certificate of Identification & Affidavit and Release**, which are available after registering. Both must be **notarized** and mailed with **photocopy of birth certificate or passport**.
  - Photocopies of: (can be uploaded or mailed)
    - **Medical School transcripts** (original language & English translation if applicable)
    - **Medical School diploma** (8.5x11, original and translation if not in English/Latin)
    - **ECFMG Certificate**
  - Other requested documents may include release forms for ECFMG and NBME exam history, as well as documents to support name change or variations of name
  - **\*TIP:** Provide a FedEx account number to send/receive verification requests to/from your medical school. This will allow you/FCVS to track correspondence and often expedites processing times.

- Examination Requirements

- USMLE Steps 1, 2, and 3. Scores should be directly forwarded to NYSED by Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) via Examination and Board Action History Report form, available at [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org)
- If other combination of exams was completed prior to 1/1/2000 (including FLEX and NBME), see <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/med/medlic.htm#exam> for acceptable combinations of exams.

- Experience Requirements

- Three years of postgraduate training in residency program accredited by the ACGME, AOA, or RCPSC (Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada), which will be verified by FCVS or substantial equivalent.