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**58-68-302 Qualifications for licensure.**

- (1) An applicant for licensure as an osteopathic physician and surgeon, except as set forth in Subsection (2), shall:
  - (a) submit an application in a form the division approves, which may include:
    - (i) submissions by the applicant of information maintained by practitioner data banks, as designated by division rule, with respect to the applicant;
    - (ii) a record of professional liability claims made against the applicant and settlements paid by or on behalf of the applicant; and
    - (iii) authorization to use a record coordination and verification service approved by the division in collaboration with the board;
  - (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;
  - (c)
    - (i) consent to, and complete, a criminal background check, described in Section 58-1-301.5;
    - (ii) meet any other standard related to the criminal background check described in Subsection (1)(c)(i), that the division establishes by rule in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act; and
    - (iii) disclose any criminal history the division requests on a form the division approves;
  - (d) provide satisfactory documentation of having successfully completed a program of professional education preparing an individual as an osteopathic physician and surgeon, as evidenced by:
    - (i) having received an earned degree of doctor of osteopathic medicine from an AOA approved medical school or college; or
    - (ii) submitting a current certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates or any successor organization approved by the division in collaboration with the board, if the applicant is graduated from an osteopathic medical school or college located outside of the United States or its territories which at the time of the applicant's graduation, met criteria for accreditation by the AOA;
  - (e) satisfy the division and board that the applicant:
    - (i) has successfully completed 24 months of progressive resident training in an ACGME or AOA approved program after receiving a degree of doctor of osteopathic medicine required under Subsection (1)(d); or
    - (ii)
      - (A) has successfully completed 12 months of resident training in an ACGME or AOA approved program after receiving a degree of doctor of osteopathic medicine as required under Subsection (1)(d);
      - (B) has been accepted in and is successfully participating in progressive resident training in an ACGME or AOA approved program within Utah, in the applicant's second or third year of postgraduate training; and
      - (C) has agreed to surrender to the division the applicant's license as an osteopathic physician and surgeon without any proceedings under Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act, and has agreed the applicant's license as an osteopathic physician and surgeon will be automatically revoked by the division if the applicant fails to continue in good standing in an ACGME or AOA approved progressive resident training program within the state;
  - (f) pass the licensing examination sequence required by division rule, as made in collaboration with the board;

- (g) be able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board, if requested by the board;
  - (h) meet with the board and representatives of the division, if requested for the purpose of evaluating the applicant's qualifications for licensure;
  - (i) designate:
    - (i) a contact person for access to medical records in accordance with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act; and
    - (ii) an alternate contact person for access to medical records, in the event the original contact person is unable or unwilling to serve as the contact person for access to medical records; and
  - (j) establish a method for notifying patients of the identity and location of the contact person and alternate contact person, if the applicant will practice in a location with no other persons licensed under this chapter.
- (2) An applicant for licensure as an osteopathic physician and surgeon by endorsement who is currently licensed to practice osteopathic medicine in any state other than Utah, a district or territory of the United States, or Canada shall:
- (a) be currently licensed with a full unrestricted license in good standing in any state, district or territory of the United States, or Canada;
  - (b) have been actively engaged in the legal practice of osteopathic medicine in any state, district or territory of the United States, or Canada for not less than 6,000 hours during the five years immediately preceding the day on which the applicant applied for licensure in Utah;
  - (c) comply with the requirements for licensure under Subsections (1)(a) through (d), (1)(e)(i), and (1)(g) through (j);
  - (d) have passed the licensing examination sequence required in Subsection (1)(f) or another medical licensing examination sequence in another state, district or territory of the United States, or Canada that the division in collaboration with the board by rulemaking determines is equivalent to the board's own required examination;
  - (e) not have any investigation or action pending against any health care license of the applicant, not have a health care license that was suspended or revoked in any state, district or territory of the United States, or Canada, and not have surrendered a health care license in lieu of a disciplinary action, unless:
    - (i) the license was subsequently reinstated as a full unrestricted license in good standing; or
    - (ii) the division in collaboration with the board determines, after full disclosure by the applicant, that:
      - (A) the conduct has been corrected, monitored, and resolved; or
      - (B) a mitigating circumstance exists that prevents its resolution, and the division in collaboration with the board is satisfied that, but for the mitigating circumstance, the license would be reinstated;
  - (f) submit to a records review, a practice review history, and physical and psychological assessments, if requested by the division in collaboration with the board; and
  - (g) produce evidence that the applicant meets the requirements of this Subsection (2) to the satisfaction of the division in collaboration with the board.
- (3) An applicant for licensure by endorsement may engage in the practice of medicine under a temporary license while the division processes the applicant's application for licensure if:
- (a) the applicant submits a complete application required for temporary licensure to the division;
  - (b) the applicant submits a written document to the division from:
    - (i) a health care facility licensed under Title 26B, Chapter 2, Part 2, Health Care Facility Licensing and Inspection, stating that the applicant is practicing under the:

- (A) invitation of the health care facility; and
- (B) the general supervision of a physician practicing at the health care facility; or
- (ii) two individuals licensed under this chapter, whose license is in good standing and who practice in the same clinical location, both stating that:
  - (A) the applicant is practicing under the invitation and general supervision of the individual; and
  - (B) the applicant will practice at the same clinical location as the individual;
- (c) the applicant submits a signed certification to the division that the applicant meets the requirements of Subsection (2);
- (d) the applicant does not engage in the practice of medicine until the division issues a temporary license;
- (e) the temporary license is issued for only one year from the date of issuance and may not be extended or renewed; and
- (f) the temporary license expires immediately and before the expiration of one year from issuance, upon notification from the division that the division denied the applicant's application for licensure by endorsement.
- (4) The division shall issue a temporary license under Subsection (3) within 15 business days after the applicant satisfies the requirements of Subsection (3).
- (5) The division may not require a:
  - (a) post-residency board certification; or
  - (b) a cognitive test when the physician reaches a specified age, unless the test reflects the standards described in Subsections 58-67-302(5)(b)(i) through (x).

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