

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4731-6-14 Eligibility for licensure.

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(A) The board shall issue a license to each individual who meets all applicable requirements under section 4731.09 of the Revised Code, and who passes the medical and osteopathic examination in accordance with rule 4731-6-05 of the Administrative Code, or has passed one of the following examinations:

(B)

- (1) One of the following examination sequences, with all steps, parts, levels or components having been administered prior to January 2000. The score achieved on each step, part, level or component must have equaled or exceeded the figure established by the USMLE program, the national board of medical examiners, the national board of osteopathic medical examiners or the federation as a passing score for that step, part, level or component, respectively.
- (a) Part I of the national board of medical examiners examination or step 1 of the USMLE, part II of the national board of medical examiners examination or step 2 of the USMLE, and part III of the national board of medical examiners examination or step 3 of the USMLE or component 2 of the FLEX; or
- (b) Part I of the national board of osteopathic medical examiners examination or level 1 of the COMLEX-USA, part II of the national board of osteopathic medical examiners examination or level 2 of the COMLEX-USA, and part III of the national board of osteopathic medical examiners examination or level 3 of the COMLEX-USA.
- (2) Component 1 of the FLEX and step 3 of the USMLE. The component and step must have been administered prior to January 2000. A score of seventy-five or above must have been achieved on component 1. The performance achieved on step 3 must have been recognized by the USMLE program as a recommended passing performance; or



- (3) Component 1 and 2 of the FLEX. Both components must have been administered after June 1985 and prior to January 2000. A score of seventy-five or above must have been achieved on each component. Both components must have been passed within a seven year period; or
- (4) A written state medical board of the United States licensing examination other than the FLEX, USMLE or COMLEX-USA administered prior to June 1982 without previous or subsequent FLEX, USMLE or COMLEX-USA failure; or
- (5) A single three day FLEX administered prior to June 1985. The FLEX-weighted average score must be seventy-five or above for the entire examination, or must be seventy-two or above if the examination was taken during the first two years of a state's administration of the FLEX and such score was accepted by that state as a passing score; or
- (6) A written examination provided by the national board of osteopathic medical examiners for an administering state.