



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4731.09 Qualifications for license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

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(A) An applicant for a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery must meet all of the following requirements:

- (1) Be at least eighteen years of age and of good moral character;
- (2) Possess a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalence or have obtained the equivalent of such education as determined by the state medical board;
- (3) Have completed two years of undergraduate work in a college of arts and sciences or the equivalent of such education as determined by the board;
- (4) Meet one of the following medical education and graduate medical education requirements:
 - (a) Hold a diploma from a medical school or osteopathic medical school that, at the time the diploma was issued, was a medical school accredited by the liaison committee on medical education or an osteopathic medical school accredited by the American osteopathic association and have successfully completed not less than twelve months of graduate medical education through the first-year level of graduate medical education or its equivalent as determined by the board;
 - (b) Hold certification from the educational commission for foreign medical graduates and have successfully completed not less than twenty-four months of graduate medical education through the second-year level of graduate medical education or its equivalent as determined by the board;
 - (c) Be a qualified graduate of a fifth pathway training program as recognized by the board under section 4731.091 of the Revised Code and have successfully completed, subsequent to completing fifth pathway training, not less than twelve months of graduate medical education or its equivalent as determined by the board.



(5) Have successfully passed an examination prescribed in rules adopted by the board to determine competency to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery;

(6) Comply with section 4731.08 of the Revised Code;

(7) Meet the requirements of section 4731.142 of the Revised Code if eligibility for the license applied for is based in part on certification from the educational commission for foreign medical graduates and the undergraduate education requirements established by this section were fulfilled at an institution outside of the United States.

(B) An applicant for a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery shall submit to the board an application in the form and manner prescribed by the board. The application must include all of the following:

(1) Evidence satisfactory to the board to demonstrate that the applicant meets all of the requirements of division (A) of this section;

(2) An affidavit from the applicant attesting to the accuracy and truthfulness of the information submitted under this section;

(3) Consent to the release of the applicant's information;

(4) Any other information the board requires.

(C) An applicant for a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery shall include with the application a fee of three hundred five dollars, no part of which may be returned. An application is not considered submitted until the board receives the fee.

(D) The board may conduct an investigation related to the application materials received pursuant to this section and may contact any individual, agency, or organization for recommendations or other information about the applicant.



(E) The board shall conclude any investigation of an applicant conducted under section 4731.22 of the Revised Code not later than ninety days after receipt of a complete application unless the applicant agrees in writing to an extension or the board determines that there is a substantial question of a violation of this chapter or the rules adopted under it and notifies the applicant in writing of the reasons for continuation of the investigation. If the board determines that the applicant is not in violation of this chapter or the rules adopted under it, the board shall issue a license not later than forty-five days after making that determination.