



Ohio Revised Code Section 4734.20 License application.

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(A) Except for persons seeking to practice chiropractic under a special limited license issued pursuant to section 4734.27 of the Revised Code, each person seeking to practice chiropractic in this state shall apply in writing to the state chiropractic board for a license to practice chiropractic. The application shall be made under oath, on a form prescribed by the board, and shall be accompanied by a fee of two hundred fifty dollars.

(B) Except as provided in sections 4734.23 and 4734.24 of the Revised Code, to receive a chiropractic license, an applicant must meet the following conditions:

(1) The applicant must be at least twenty-one years of age, be of good moral character, and possess a high school education or its equivalent.

(2) The applicant must have successfully completed, prior to matriculation at a school or college of chiropractic, at least two years of college credit in the arts and sciences at a college or university accredited by a state or regional accrediting organization recognized by the board, except that the board may adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that require completion of additional years of college credit or receipt of a college degree in an area specified in the rules.

(3) The applicant must be a graduate of and hold the degree of doctor of chiropractic from a school or college of chiropractic approved by the board under section 4734.21 of the Revised Code.

(4) The applicant must have received one of the following from the national board of chiropractic examiners, as appropriate according to the date of the applicant's graduation from a school or college of chiropractic:

(a) If the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 1970, but before January 1, 1989, a "diplomate certificate" or "certificate of attainment" evidencing passage of parts I and II and the physiotherapy section of the national board's examinations;



(b) If the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 1989, but before January 1, 2002, a "certificate of attainment" evidencing passage of parts I, II, and III and the physiotherapy section of the national board's examinations;

(c) If the applicant graduated on or after January 1, 2002, a "certificate of attainment" evidencing passage of parts I, II, III, and IV and the physiotherapy section of the national board's examinations.

(5) The applicant must have passed the board's jurisprudence examination conducted under section 4734.22 of the Revised Code.

(C) The board shall issue a license to practice chiropractic to each applicant who files a complete application, pays all applicable fees, and meets the conditions specified in division (B) of this section. The burden of proof is on the applicant, to prove by clear and convincing evidence to the board, that the applicant meets the conditions for receipt of the license.

The board may conduct any investigation it considers appropriate to verify an applicant's credentials, moral character, and fitness to receive a license. In conducting an investigation, the board may request information from the records maintained by the federal bureau of investigation, the bureau of criminal identification and investigation, and any other repositories of criminal records held in this or another state. The board may charge the applicant a fee for conducting the investigation. The amount of the fee shall not exceed the expenses the board incurs in conducting the investigation and may include any fees that must be paid to obtain information in the criminal record.