

Eligibility Checklist

Physician Licensure

You should have one checkmark in each numbered section.

Medical Education
1. School of Graduation
<input type="checkbox"/> Graduation from a U.S. or Canadian medical school Graduation from a medical school or college located outside the United States or Canada and: <input type="checkbox"/> specialty board certification by an ABMS or BOS board, or <input type="checkbox"/> school is on our substantial equivalence list , or <input type="checkbox"/> Z-Pack (forms Z1-Z7) submitted and approved for licensure
2. Medical Education (Clerkships) Performed in the United States
<input type="checkbox"/> Performed while enrolled as a student at an LCME or AOA accredited medical school, or <input type="checkbox"/> Performed in a hospital or teaching institution with an ACGME or AOA approved residency program in the same specialty or subspecialty as the clerkship, or <input type="checkbox"/> Specialty board certification by an ABMS or BOS board
3. Postgraduate Training
<input type="checkbox"/> US or Canadian - 1 continuous year of graduate medical training in the US or Canada in an ACGME or AOA accredited program, or a board approved fellowship <input type="checkbox"/> IMG - 2 years of continuous and progressive graduate medical training in the United States or Canada in an ACGME or AOA accredited program, or a board approved fellowship <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years in a teaching faculty position under a Texas Faculty Temporary License
Examinations
4. Attempt Limits
<input type="checkbox"/> Passage of each part of the examination within 3 attempts, or If you <ul style="list-style-type: none">• have been licensed in good standing in another state for at least 5 years, or• held a Texas PIT permit on 9/1/05, then<ul style="list-style-type: none">• a 4th attempt allowed on one part only, or• Up to 6 attempts allowed on one part only, if you also:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, and▪ you complete, in Texas, an additional 2 years of residency training
5. Time Frame for Passage of All Licensing Examination Steps
<input type="checkbox"/> 7 years, or <input type="checkbox"/> 10 years if you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, or• have practiced under a Texas FTL for 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> Or, 2 years after completion of required postgraduate training (1 year for US/Canadian graduates and 2 years for IMGs), if: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• you graduated from a combined MD/PhD or DO/PhD program, or

___ Or, 10 years after completion of the required postgraduate training if:

- you graduated from a combined MD/PhD or DO/PhD program **and**:
 - are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, or,
 - have practiced under a Texas FTL for 1 year

___ Or, no time frame requirement if:

- you accept a limited license to practice solely and indefinitely in an MUA or HPSA

6. Texas Medical Jurisprudence Examination

___ Score of 75 or better within 3 attempts.

Demonstration of Current Competence

7. Active Practice of Medicine

___ have practiced medicine full-time (at least 20 hours per week for 40 weeks) for one of the two years preceding the date of application

8. Ten Year Rule

- ___ passed a monitored licensing (USMLE or COMLEX), ABMS or BOS specialty board, MOC or current certification exam within 10 years preceding date of application, or
- ___ passed the [SPEX](#) examination within 10 years preceding date of application (3 attempts), or
- ___ 6 months in a training program approved by the board, or under an FTL, within 1 year prior to application.

This worksheet is not a guarantee of eligibility nor is it an exhaustive list, but it's a good starting point. Not getting a checkmark in a numbered section may mean you are ineligible, or may mean you will have to meet further requirements to become eligible.