

COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING LICENSURE AND
SUPERVISION OF DISTINGUISHED FOREIGN TEACHING PHYSICIANS

BASIS. The authority for promulgation of these rules by the Colorado Medical Board ("Board") is set forth in Sections 24-4-103, 12-36-104(1)(a) and 12-36-107.2, C.R.S.

PURPOSE. These rules have been adopted by the Board to specify standards related to the qualification and supervision of distinguished foreign teaching physicians and to clarify application requirements for this license type.

INTRODUCTION. A physician who meets the conditions set forth in Section 12-36-107.2, C.R.S., of the Medical Practice Act and the qualification standards and application requirements set forth in this Rule may be granted a distinguished foreign teaching physician license to practice medicine in this state at the discretion of the Board. When determining whether an applicant is eligible for this license type, the Board shall in the exercise of its discretion, consider the following Qualification Standards.

I. QUALIFICATION STANDARDS: For licensure as a distinguished foreign teaching physician that demonstrate noteworthy and recognized professional attainment.

- A. The applicant holds a current medical license in good standing in his/her home country or in any other country.
- B. The applicant's foreign medical education and training meets or exceeds the minimum educational requirements for medical licensure in Colorado.
- C. The applicant holds Board certification conferred by a regular member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties or the American Osteopathic Association in the applicant's area of medical specialty OR holds Board certification outside of the United States.
- D. The applicant has undergone extensive clinical post-graduate medical training in the applicant's area of medical specialty.
- E. The applicant has demonstrated recent clinical experience by being actively and continuously involved in the practice of medicine for at least a two year period immediately preceding the filing of the application and has demonstrated expertise that meets or exceeds the clinical skills required by the faculty position.
- F. The applicant has demonstrated teaching ability to include prior experience in an academic position, including other visiting professorships or professorships.
- G. The applicant has published a significant number of peer-reviewed articles or noteworthy research in respected medical publications.
- H. The applicant's training, skills or talents will contribute uniquely to clinical medicine and medical education in Colorado.
- I. The applicant demonstrates that s/he will continue to contribute uniquely to clinical medicine and medical education in Colorado during the ensuing period of licensure.

- J. The applicant's other medical license(s) and health care privileges are unrestricted and have not been subject to discipline by any licensing body or health care entity.
- K. The applicant is free from prior medical malpractice judgments, settlements, or their equivalent.

II. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS: An applicant for licensure as a distinguished foreign teaching physician shall:

- A. Fully and accurately complete the Board's distinguished foreign teaching physician application, initial or renewal, as applicable;
- B. Pay the Board a licensing fee to be determined and collected pursuant to Section 24-34-105, C.R.S.;
- C. Submit a letter from the Dean's Office of the medical school on whose academic faculty the applicant will serve identifying:
 - 1. The applicant's proposed faculty position, title, and term of appointment;
 - 2. Whether the applicant will serve in the role of professor, associate professor, or assistant professor;
 - a. If assistant professor, provide the following information:
 - i. An explanation as to why the applicant does not qualify or satisfy the University guidelines for the rank of associate professor or higher; and
 - ii. Identification of a supervising physician who shall have a rank of associate professor or above and have a current Colorado medical license in good standing, which is not a distinguished foreign teaching license nor reentry license; and
 - b. For renewal applicants not designated as associate professor or higher, provide detailed information for the applicant's plans to obtain Colorado medical licensure pursuant to sections 12-36-107 or 12-36-107.6, C.R.S.;
 - 3. The reasons international recruitment for this academic faculty position was or continues to be necessary, to include if salary was a motivating factor;
 - 4. How the applicant will uniquely enhance or has uniquely enhanced clinical medicine and medical education in this state;
 - 5. How the applicant meets or continues to meet the Qualification Standards defined in this Rule to be eligible for this license type;
 - 6. Additional information which would assist the Board in understanding the reason for this appointment; and
 - 7. For a renewal applicant continued satisfaction of the Qualification Standards defined in this Rule shall be demonstrated by:
 - a. an updated curriculum vita;
 - b. an updated list of publications and teaching experience;
 - c. continued post-graduate education; and
 - d. copies of the applicant's teaching evaluations since the last renewal application.

III. DEFINITIONS: A “medical school in this state” pursuant to Section 12-36-107.2 must be an approved medical college as defined by Section 12-36-102.5(3)(a), C.R.S. located in the state of Colorado.

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