

## **FULL LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

Before completing the full license application, please read the eligibility requirements for a full medical license which allows a physician to practice medicine independently in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts listed below:

- **Pre-medical Education:** A minimum of 2 or more academic years at a legally chartered college or university for U.S. and international medical graduates.
- **Medical Education:** 4 academic years of instruction of not less than 32 weeks in each academic year, or courses which in the opinion of the Board are equivalent, in a legally chartered medical school with the degree of doctor of medicine or its equivalent. International medical graduates must complete a waiver for substantial equivalency of medical school education if any required or elective medical school clinical study was completed offsite of the medical school and without supervision by the medical school faculty.
- Qualifying examinations, USMLE Steps 1,2 and 3, or National Boards Part 1, Part 2 and Part 3, or FLEX Part I and Part 2, or LMCC, 1 and 2, or a State Exam if taken prior to June 19, 1970.
- **US or Canadian graduates:** one year of postgraduate training in an A.C.G.M.E. or A.O.A. approved training program for US graduates. One year of postgraduate training in an R.R.C. approved training program for Canadian graduates.
- **International medical graduates:** A valid, indefinite E.C.F.M.G. certificate and two years of postgraduate training in the United States in an A.C.G.M.E. approved training program.
- A photograph of the applicant which must be a likeness adequate for positive identification
- A written statement attesting to the applicant's moral character. The statement should be executed by someone other than a relative who knows the applicant well and for a substantial period of time. The Board especially seeks statements from physicians licensed to practice in the Commonwealth.
- A written statement explaining the applicant's involvement in civil litigation related to the practice of medicine and criminal litigation.
- A description of the applicant's clinical training and experience, particularly hospital internship and residency.
- A written statement of the other jurisdictions in which the applicant is or has been licensed to practice medicine.
- A written statement of any specialty board of which the applicant is a diplomate.
- A written statement of any professional disciplinary action to which the applicant has been subjected. This statement must include action take by government agencies, professional societies, health care providers, and third party carriers against the applicant.
- A written statement of the results of any medical licensure examination the applicant has taken.
- A written statement concerning the applicant's qualifications to possess or dispense controlled substances.
- A written statement concerning the applicant's present physical or mental health, including an explanation of any dysfunction.
- A statement that the applicant will not charge to or collect from a Medicare beneficiary more than the Medicare reasonable charge for the physician's services in compliance with St. 1985, c. 475.