



TO: The Professional Practice Committee

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SUBJECT: Report of the Committee on the Professions Regarding Licensing Petitions and Degree Conferrals

DATE: May 30, 2024

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SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion (Consent)

Should the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions pertaining to licensing petitions and degree conferrals as listed on the attachment?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State Statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the Full Board at its June 2024 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

Section 6506(5) of the Education Law and Section 24.7 of the Rules of the Board of Regents authorize the Regents to waive education, experience and examination requirements for a professional license as well as to confer the degree Doctor of Medicine.

Background Information

There is one licensing petition and one request for the conferral of the degree of Doctor of Medicine for review and determination.

Related Regent's Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding the licensing petitions and degree conferrals.

Timetable for Implementation

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective, June 11, 2024.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on June 11, 2024

SUMMARY REPORT

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION	
	Pre-Professional	Professional	Post-Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing
Medicine					24-59-60
EXPERIENCE:					
Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine:			24-36-60C		
OTHER:			Total for fiscal year to date: 33		
			Total for calendar year to date: 49		

Board of Regents, June 11, 2024

MEDICINE

24-59-60

Arun Kumar Jain

Eules, Indiana

(PT B.D.S. Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, India, Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery, February 1982)

Petition for: Endorsement of applicant's medical license from India.

Statement of Problem: Commissioner's Regulations allow endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination. A license granted in a foreign country can be endorsed if licensure in that country is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance and acceptable to the Board of Regents. Additionally, the applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate completion of an acceptable proficiency examination, clinical competency examination, three years of American Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited postgraduate training or the equivalent, and five years of satisfactory professional experience.

Dr. Jain lacks three years of accredited postgraduate training. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Jain's application. He recommends that Dr. Jain's training be accepted as the equivalent of the three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training required for licensure.

Commissioner's Regulations allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses and diplomate certificates to fulfill the license, proficiency, and clinical competency requirements for New York State licensure by endorsement. Dr. Jain obtained his medical license in India in 1982. His Indian license is active and in good standing. Additionally, Dr. Jain was issued a Doctor of Medicine in Ophthalmology, holds Specialization in Ophthalmology, is a member in the Specialist Board of Ophthalmology and completed a Fellow of the International Association of Contact Lens Educators (FIACLE) International Fellowship.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Jain's Indian license be endorsed, and his Doctor of Medicine, specialization, membership, and fellowship be accepted to fulfill the proficiency examination and the clinical competency requirements for endorsement.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Sections 60.1, 60.3, and 60.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) PT B.D.S. Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, India, Bachelor of

	Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, February 1982.
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) Doctor of Medicine in Ophthalmology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences after examination in May 1985.
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3)(a) Residency in Ophthalmology at All India Institute of Medical Science in New Delhi, India from July 1982 through June 1985. (b) Senior Residency in Ophthalmology at All India Institute of Medical Science in New Delhi, India from September 1985 to September 1988. (c) Fellowship at University Medical School and Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin from August 2003 to November 2003.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Indian License issued by the Haryana Medical Council, Registration # HN-308, March 1982
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) (a) Specialization in Ophthalmology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India verified by the NBEMS as issued in November 1985. (b) Member in the Specialist Board of Ophthalmology of NBEMS, July 2023 (c) FIACLE International Fellowship, Worldwide Online Training Program – Exam based training, awarded in 2007 and achieved lifetime status in 2023.
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory professional experience.	(6) Over five years of satisfactory professional experience.
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(7)
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8)
(9) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(9)

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's qualifications be accepted to fulfill the requirements for licensure by endorsement.

MEDICINE

Petition for: Conferral of the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) pursuant to Section 6529 of the Education Law.

Summary Statement: The petitioners listed below are all graduates of foreign medical schools who have been licensed in New York.

The applicable requirements of Section 3.57 of the Rules of the Board of Regents require completion of a medical education program in a foreign medical school satisfactory to the Department which does not grant the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), and in which the philosophy and curriculum were equivalent, as determined by the Department in accordance with the policy of the Board of Regents, to those in programs leading to the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) at medical schools in the United States satisfactory to, or registered by, the Board of Regents and the Department. Secondly, petitioners must have licensure to practice medicine in New York State in accordance with provisions of Section 6524 or 6528 of the Education Law or their equivalent as determined by the Board of Regents pursuant to their authority under Section 6506 of the Education Law.

NAME OF PETITIONER	QUALIFICATIONS
<u>24-36-60C</u> Baljinder Singh Jersey City, NJ 07307	(1) Guru Gobind Singh Medical College, Faridkot, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 01/04/2018 (2) License # 324271, Issued 06/21/2023

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee on the Professions recommends that the petitioners be awarded the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) in accordance with provisions of Section 6529 of the Education Law