

## Overview of Ohio Licensing Process for Foreign Educated Medical Doctor

### United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE)

Apply for the USMLE through the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG); [www.ecfm.org](http://www.ecfm.org).

- **Documentation of Education:** Applicant will need to apply to the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). ECFMG verifies diploma and that education is comparable to that of a program within the United States.
- **ECFMG assigns applicant an identification number**



### Complete USMLE Exams (<http://www.usmle.org>)

- Step 1 – Clinical Knowledge (CK)
- Step 2 – Clinical Knowledge (CK)
- Step 3 – Clinical Skills (CS)

Cannot fail more than 3 times and must complete within 10 years



### ECFMG Certificate is Granted



### Graduate Medical Education Program (Residency Application)

- Complete **Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS ) Application** <https://www.aamc.org/services/eras/> - ERAS creates the application and transmits it to selected residency programs. It does not match applicants to programs.
- To match into a residency program, you must apply to the **National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) or The Match**, <http://www.nrmp.org/>, or another matching service.
  - Include:
    - Letters of Recommendation of U.S. work experience (volunteer, full-time, or part-time employment)
    - Personal Statement (one page)



### Complete Graduate Medical Education Program

- 2 Year Residency or Internship

Pass the USMLE Exam – Step 3, if not already taken



**Proof of English Proficiency:** Applicant will need to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT). Internet-based version - Score must be 83 or higher. The applicant needs to contact the Educational Testing Services (ETS) at 609-771-7100 or register online at [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org). The Board must receive the test scores directly from ETS.

**Must Score:**

- Speaking: 26 or higher
- Listening: 26 or higher
- Total Score: 90 or higher

**Exceptions:**

- Completion of 2 years undergraduate college work in the U.S.
- Passed Clinical Skills Assessment examination given by [ECFMG](http://www.ecfmg.org)
- Possession of current Medical license in U.S.



### Ohio State Licensure Application

**Required Documentation:**

1. Federal Credential Verification Service (FCVS) application – [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org)
2. Uniform Application – [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org) or Ohio Medical Board
3. Ohio Addendum – application through OMB or FSMB
4. American Medical Association profile – [www.ama-assn.org](http://www.ama-assn.org)
5. Criminal Background Check
6. 2 recommendation forms from physicians who have known the applicant 6 months



### License to Practice Medicine in Ohio CONFERRED

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