PHYSICIAN LICENSURE AND INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES IN NEW YORK STATE

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GOALS

- Brief background on NYS professional licensing
- Domestic graduate pathway to physician licensure
- International medical graduate pathway to physician licensure
- Endorsement of international medical licenses
- Review Process and Procedures

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE IN NEW YORK STATE

- Licensure of all 56 professions are the ultimate responsibility of the NYS Board of Regents
- The Board of Regents are appointed by a joint session of the NYS Legislature
  - P-12 Education, higher education, cultural education, adult education, the professions
- Board of Regents appoint all professional board members and the Executive Secretary

Physician Licenses Issued, Past 6 Calendar Years

2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
5,342	5,741	6,119	6,064	6, 443	6, 652

- As of January 1, there are 114,043 active and currently licensed physicians in NYS

DOMESTIC MEDICAL GRADUATE PATHWAY

- Application/fee
- Education - LCME or COCA accredited/and or NYS registered*
- Examination – three steps/levels USMLE or COMLEX
- Post-Graduate Training – one-year ACGME accredited training
- Other requirements including moral character, legislated training
- Administrative approval

*The American Medical Program at Tel Aviv University (formerly Sackler), American University of Beirut, and Lebanese American University in Beirut are NYS registered programs

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATE PATHWAY

- Not an alternative pathway—This is a standard pathway to a full license
- Education - ...the completion of a curriculum of not less than 32 months in length in a medical program...recognized by the appropriate civil authorities of the country in which the school is located as an acceptable educational program for physicians (NYCRR 8, 60.1(a)(2)
  - *Must include acceptable clinical clerkships*
- Examination - all parts of USMLE or COMLEX
- **PGT –**
  - **three years accredited training OR**
  - **Substantial equivalent**

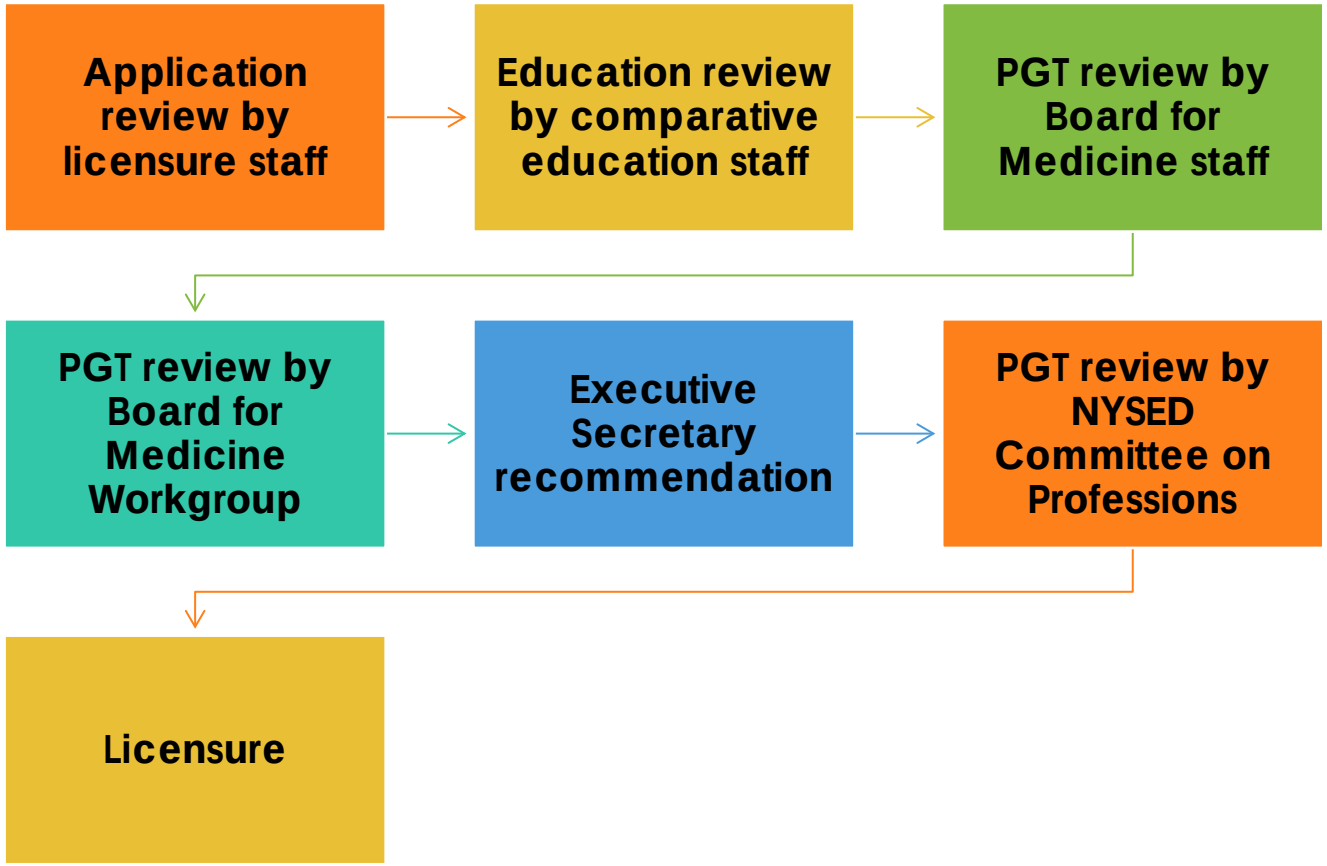
IMG POST GRADUATE TRAINING REQUIREMENT

- Three years of accredited training OR
- Substantial Equivalent
  - At least two years of foreign or non-accredited domestic training for every required year:
    - six years of non-accredited training for applicants with no accredited training, or
    - four years non-accredited with one year accredited, or
    - two years non-accredited and two years accredited
- ABMS or AOA recognized board certification may count for one year

IMG PGT SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCE

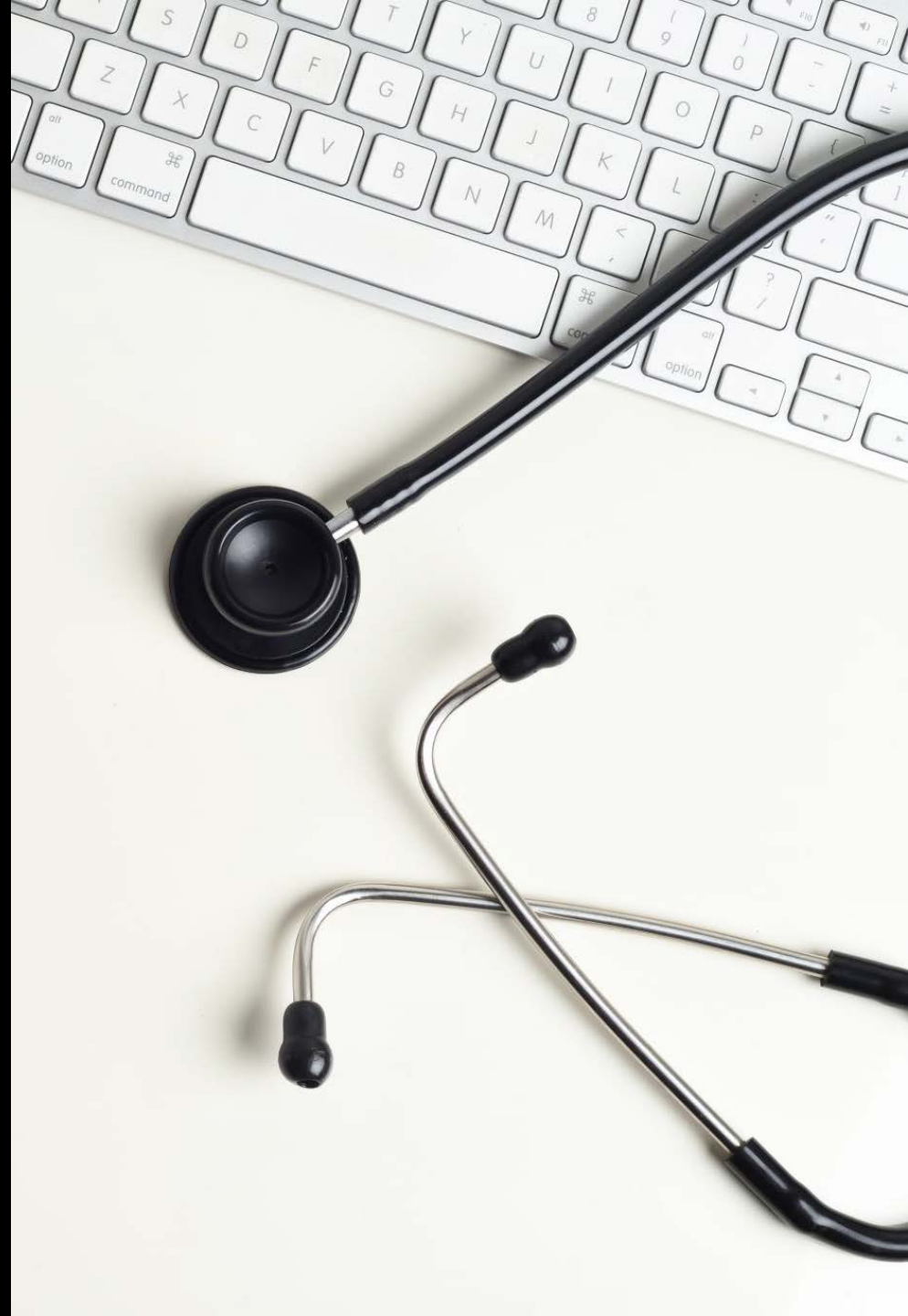
- Reviewed by Board for Medicine IMG Workgroup—some considerations
  - instructional objectives
  - educational objectives
  - designated faculty responsible for a defined curriculum
  - periodic formative evaluations
  - summative evaluation
  - The Workgroup also generally expects to see a logical progression in the required training, comparable to at least three years of ACGME or AOA accredited training.
  - Practice experience, observerships, research are NOT PGT

IMG APPLICATION PROCESS (PGT)

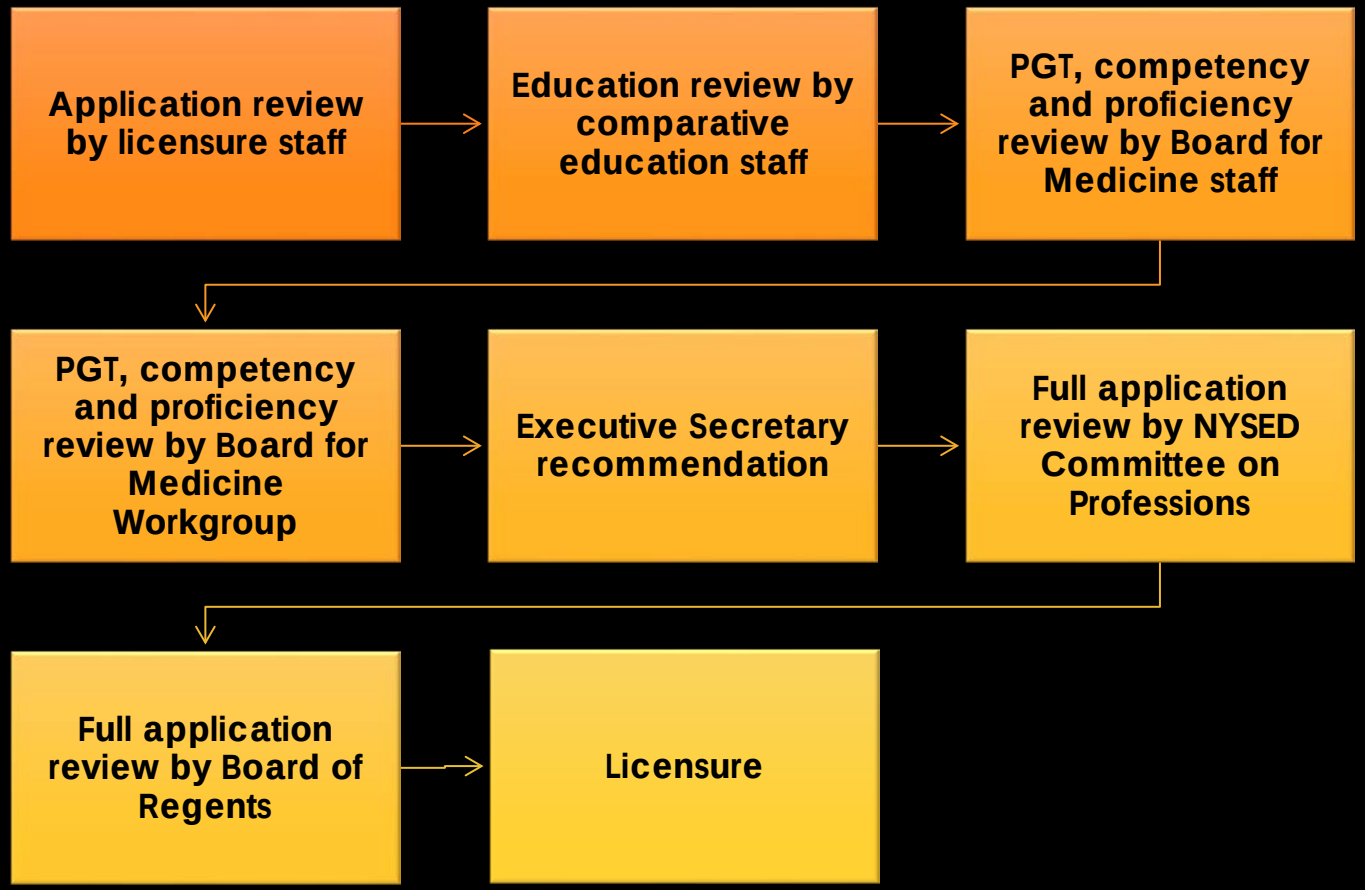


ENDORSEMENT

- Foreign license
- Acceptable Medical Education
- Acceptable PGT
- Five years practice experience/employment
- Demonstrations of clinical competency and proficiency such as diplomate certificate earned by examination, clinical post professional medical education PhD, other acceptable certifications earned by examination
- Individuals may not apply for endorsement if they have failed any step or level of the USMLE or COMLEX exams
- Leads to full licensure



ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION PROCESS



CANADA

- Education
  - accept Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medial Schools (CACMS)
- PGT
  - Accept Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada
- Endorsement of Canadian Licenses
  - independent medical license issued by a Canadian province
  - two years of satisfactory professional experience
  - meet educational requirements
  - licensing examination of The Medical Council of Canada.

Thank you