Eligibility Checklist
Physician Licensure

You should have one checkmark in each numbered section.

### Medical Education

1. **School of Graduation**

   - _Graduation from a U.S. or Canadian medical school_
   - Graduation from a medical school or college located outside the United States or Canada and:
     - _specialty board certification by an ABMS or BOS board, or_
     - _school is on our substantial equivalence list, or_
     - _Z-Pack (forms Z1-Z7) submitted and approved for licensure_

2. **Medical Education (Clerkships) Performed in the United States**

   - _Performed while enrolled as a student at an LCME or AOA accredited medical school, or_
   - _Performed in a hospital or teaching institution with an ACGME or AOA approved residency program in the same specialty or subspecialty as the clerkship, or_
   - _Specialty board certification by an ABMS or BOS board_

3. **Postgraduate Training**

   - _US or Canadian - 1 continuous year of graduate medical training in the US or Canada in an ACGME or AOA accredited program, or a board approved fellowship_
   - _IMG - 2 years of continuous and progressive graduate medical training in the United States or Canada in an ACGME or AOA accredited program, or a board approved fellowship_
   - _2 years in a teaching faculty position under a Texas Faculty Temporary License_

### Examinations

4. **Attempt Limits**

   - _Passage of each part of the examination within 3 attempts, or_
     - _If you_
       - have been licensed in good standing in another state for at least 5 years, or
       - held a Texas PIT permit on 9/1/05, then
         - a 4th attempt allowed _on one part only, or_
         - Up to 6 attempts allowed _on one part only, if you also:_
           - are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, _and_
           - you complete, in Texas, an additional 2 years of residency training_

5. **Time Frame for Passage of All Licensing Examination Steps**

   - _7 years, or_
   - _10 years if you:
     - are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, or,
     - have practiced under a Texas FTL for 1 year_
   - _Or, 2 years after completion of required postgraduate training (1 year for US/Canadian graduates and 2 years for IMGs), if:_
     - _you graduated from a combined MD/PhD or DO/PhD program, or_
Or, 10 years after completion of the required postgraduate training if:
  - you graduated from a combined MD/PhD or DO/PhD program and:
    - are specialty board certified by an ABMS or BOS board, or,
    - have practiced under a Texas FTL for 1 year

Or, no time frame requirement if:
  - you accept a limited license to practice solely and indefinitely in an MUA or HPSA

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<th>6. Texas Medical Jurisprudence Examination</th>
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<td>Score of 75 or better within 3 attempts.</td>
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<td>7. Active Practice of Medicine</td>
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<td>have practiced medicine full-time (at least 20 hours per week for 40 weeks) for one of the two years preceding the date of application</td>
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<td>passed a monitored licensing (USMLE or COMLEX), ABMS or BOS specialty board, MOC or current certification exam within 10 years preceding date of application, or</td>
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<td>passed the SPEX examination within 10 years preceding date of application (3 attempts), or</td>
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<td>6 months in a training program approved by the board, or under an FTL, within 1 year prior to application.</td>
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This worksheet is not a guarantee of eligibility nor is it an exhaustive list, but it’s a good starting point. Not getting a checkmark in a numbered section may mean you are ineligible, or may mean you will have to meet further requirements to become eligible.