TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2019

The meeting was called to order 9:23 a.m. by Chair, Linda Molina, J.D. Other Committee members present were Arun Agarwal, Vanessa F. Hicks-Callaway, George De Loach, D.O., Kandace Farmer, D.O., Jeffrey L. Luna, M.D., Roberto Martinez, M.D., Jayaram B. Naidu, M.D. and Satish Nayak, M.D.

Committee member absent was Michael Cokinos.

Charles W. Beasley, Ph.D., with the Medical Physicist Board also attended the meeting.

Agenda Item 2 - Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding substantial equivalence of Ross University. Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) is currently listed on the Substantial Equivalence list, however, with an annotation that advises applicants that portions of the curriculum are under review due to concerns regarding clinical rotations not meeting eligibility requirements. Anthony LiCausi, Associate Registrar – Licensing and Credentialing and James M. Record, M.D., J.D., Chief Academic Officer at RUSM, described how their medical students are advised of the clinical clerkships requirements in Texas and other states and changes they are making with the institutions they will be accepting their students for clinical clerkships. After completion of the presentation, Dr. Luna moved to keep the annotation on the substantially equivalent list. Dr. Naidu seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Dr. Farmer moved and Dr. Martinez seconded that the Committee close the meeting to the public and continue in Executive Session for deliberations concerning Agenda Item 3 and 4a. The motion passed. Ms. Molina announced that the meeting would be closed for deliberations at 9:49 a.m. concerning licensee requests and licensure applications and the character and fitness of applicants under the authority of The Medical Practice Act Sections 152.009 and 155.058, Occupations Code, and that while in executive session, the Board would not take any action, make any decision, or vote with regard to any matter that may be considered or discussed. A certified agenda of any executive session will be made.

The Executive Session ended at 5:34 p.m. The Licensure Committee conducted hearings to review licensee requests and licensure applicants appearing concerning eligibility. The hearings were conducted in Executive Session. Following the hearings, the Committee reconvened and considered the requests and applications.

Dr. Beasley left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Ms. Hicks-Callaway left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Dr. Bredt and Mr. Carlton entered the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

Agenda Item 3 – Licensee requests.

Applicant #2324 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. Martinez moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the licensee's license be returned to active status contingent upon the following:

 The licensee provides proof of their completion of 48 hours of continuing medical education needed for registration of their medical license as required under Board Rule 166.2(a)(1)(A).

Dr. Luna seconded the motion. Dr. Farmer recused herself. Dr. Agarwal, Dr. De Loach, Dr. Luna, Dr. Martinez, Dr. Naidu and Dr. Nayak all voted in favor. The motion passed.

Agenda Item 4a - Applicants appearing concerning eligibility.

Applicant #1998 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, **Dr. Naidu** moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the applicant's request for a seventh Temporary Medical Physicist License be granted. Further, Board staff is directed to research whether the European Diploma of Medical Physics (EDMP) meets the education requirements set forth in Board Rule 160.07, related to Qualifications for Licensure, and present this information to the Medical Physicist Licensure Advisory Committee to consider. **Dr. Farmer seconded the motion.** All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2127 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. De Loach moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted reinstatement of their license subject to an Agreed Order due to the Applicant's history of

substance abuse, fraudulent prescribing, criminal history, suspension and revocation of their Texas medical license.

The Agreed Order will have the following conditions:

- Restriction to the practice of medicine only within a KSTAR mini-residency.
- Reappear before the Licensure Committee prior to any practice beyond the mini-residency program recommended by KSTAR.
- o Complete all KSTAR recommendations within one year.
- Submit and comply with the TMB Drug Testing Program for a minimum of five years.
- o Attend AA and caduceus meetings 4x week for five years.
- Submit quarterly reports from all treating physicians and mental health providers.
- The license is effective on the date the applicant's license is reinstated by staff following the return of the signed Agreed Order.

Dr. Naidu seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2282 appeared before the Committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. Naidu moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted an license subject to an Agreed Order with the following conditions:

- o Complete all KSTAR recommendations.
- o For two years from the date the Agreed Order is approved, applicant shall limit their practice, including any office and inpatient practice, to an institutional or group setting approved in advance by the Executive Director of the board.
- The designated physician at the group or institution shall be approved in advance by the Executive Director of the board.
- The designated physician at the group of institution shall submit quarterly reports regarding the applicant's performance.
- The applicant shall provide a copy of the Agreed Order to the group or institutional setting administrator.
- The applicant shall not request modification of the order for two years.
- The license is effective on the date the applicant is licensed by staff following the return of the signed Agreed Order.

Dr. Luna seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2332 appeared before the Committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. De Loach moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted an unrestricted a Physician in Training Permit contingent upon the following due to the Applicant's academic history.

• The applicant receive a private referral to the Texas Physician's Health Program (TXPHP) and follow all recommendations by the program.

Dr. Farmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2333 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. Martinez moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a license subject to an Agreed Order due to the Applicant's disciplinary history, medical liability history and lacking evaluations:

The Agreed Order will have the following conditions:

- Applicant shall limit their practice, including any office and inpatient practice, to an institutional or group setting approved in advance by the Executive Director of the board.
- The Applicant shall provide a copy of the Agreed Order to the group or institutional setting administrator.
- The license is effective on the date the Applicant is licensed by staff following the return of the signed Agreed Order.

Dr. Naidu seconded the motion. Dr. Luna entered an amendment to the motion to grant an unrestricted license. As this would negate the motion, Dr. Luna would need to enter a competing motion. Dr. Luna withdrew his amendment and a vote was taken on the motion. Dr. Naidu, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Martinez voted in favor. Dr. Luna, Mr. Agarwal, Dr. Nayak and Dr. De Loach voted nay. The motion failed.

Dr. Luna then moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted an unrestricted license. Dr. De Loach seconded the motion. Dr. Luna, Mr. Agarwal, Dr. Nayak and Dr. De Loach voted in favor. Dr. Naidu, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Martinez voted nay. The motion passed.

Applicant #2336 appeared before the Committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. Martinez moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the

applicant be granted an unrestricted license. Mr. Naidu seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2337 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. De Loach moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be determined ineligible for a license due to the Applicant's inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients. Further, Dr. De Loach moved to recommend to the full Board that upon receipt within one calendar year of a request for a Physician-In-Training Permit for a training program of at least one year in length that the Executive Director may grant a permit. Dr. Farmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2338 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, **Dr.**Farmer moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant's appeal of the Executive Director's determination of ineligibility be granted and the Applicant be granted an unrestricted license. Further Dr. Farmer directed staff to review the statutory requirements and board policies related to clinical clerkships requirements for international medical school graduates. **Dr. Martinez seconded the motion. All voted in favor.** The motion passed.

Applicant #2339 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session,

Dr. Naidu moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be allowed to withdraw their application for a license and reapply submitting truthful answers due to submitting a false or misleading statement, document or certificate in an application for a license. This recommendation is due to the Applicant's falsification on their application for a license regarding actions taken against the applicant by a training program. Dr. De Loach seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2341 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. De Loach moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be determined ineligible for a license due to the Applicant's disciplinary history, criminal history, lacking evaluation forms, medical liability history and submission of a false or misleading statement, document, or certificate in an application for a license. Dr. Farmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2342 appeared before the Committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. Farmer moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be granted an unrestricted Physician in Training Permit. Dr. Martinez seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2343 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr Farmer moved to recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be determined ineligible for reinstatement of their license due to the Applicant's disciplinary history, criminal history and time out of active practice. Dr. Luna seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2345 appeared before the Committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. De Loach moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be granted an unrestricted license. Mr. Agarwal seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2346 appeared before the committee, with counsel, in executive session. In open session, Dr. Nayak moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be allowed to withdraw their application for a license and reapply submitting truthful answers due to submitting a false or misleading statement, document or certificate in an application for a license. This recommendation is due to the Applicant's falsification of action taken against the applicant by a training program. Dr. Farmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Applicant #2347 appeared before the Committee in executive session. In open session, Dr. Naidu moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant's request for a seventh Temporary Medical Physicist License be granted. Dr. Nayak seconded the motion. Dr. De Loach recused himself. Dr. Agarwal, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Luna, Dr. Martinez, Dr. Naidu and Dr. Nayak all voted in favor. The motion passed.

Agenda Item 4b – Proposed orders offered by the Executive Director.

Ms. Johnston reported on 1 Remedial Plan offered by the Executive Director and accepted by the applicant. After discussion Dr. Farmer moved to recommend to the full Board that the 1 Remedial Plan be approved. Dr. Naidu seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 4c – Physician licensure applicants to be licensed.

Ms. Johnston reported that there were 46 applicants who met all requirements to be considered for permanent licensure by the full Board. Dr. De Loach moved to recommend to the full Board that all 46 physician licensure applicants determined to meet eligibility requirements by staff be approved. Dr. Farmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 4d – Surgical assistant licensure applicants to be licensed.

Ms. Johnston reported that were 11 surgical assistant applicants who met all requirements to be considered for licensure by the full Board. Dr. Nayak moved to recommend to the full Board that all 11 surgical assistant applicants determined to meet eligibility requirements by staff be approved. Dr. Martinez seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 4e – Acudetox Specialist applicants to be certified.

Ms. Johnston reported that was 10 Acudetox specialist applicant who met all requirements to be considered for certification by the full Board. Dr. Farmer moved to recommend to the full Board that the 10 Acudetox specialist applicants determined to meet eligibility requirements by staff be approved. Dr. De Loach seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 5 – Report on licensure statistics.

Ms. Johnston reported that in Quarter 1 of FY19, 907 new physician licenses were issued in an average processing time of 39 days. In Quarter 1 of FY20, as of 10/15/2019, 432 new licenses were issued in an average processing time of 38 days. Ms. Johnston also reported that in FY18, 5,717 physician applications were received with 4,514 new licenses issued in an average processing time of 39 days. In FY19, 5,686 physician applications were received with 4,869 new licenses issued in an average processing time of 35 days.

Agenda Item 6a – Cancellation of Licenses by request or for incomplete registration – Surgical Assistants. There are none.

Agenda Item 6b – Cancellation of Licenses by request or for incomplete registration – Acudetox. There are none.

Agenda Item 7a -Nonprofit Health Organizations - Applicants for Initial Certification.

Ms. Johnston reported that were 6 applicants for initial certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization for approval. Dr. Naidu moved to recommend to the full Board that the 6 requests for initial certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization be approved. Dr. Martinez seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 7b - Nonprofit Health Organizations - Requests for Biennial Recertification.

Ms. Johnston reported that were 47 requests for biennial certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization for approval. Dr. Nayak moved to recommend to the full Board that the 47 requests for biennial certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization be approved. Dr. Farmer seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 7c - Nonprofit Health Organizations – Cancellation of organizations certified as Nonprofit Health Organizations. Ms. Johnston reported that were 6 applications for cancellation of certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization for approval. Mr. Agarwal moved to recommend to the full Board that the 6 cancellations of certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization be approved. Dr. Nayak seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Agenda Item 8 – Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding **proposed amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code.**

a. Chapter 163

• §163.13 Expedited Licensure

Mr. Freshour explained that the rule change is being created due to a mandate during the legislative session. The rule will allow an expedited licensure process for physicians that are actively licensed and have practiced for a certain number of years in another state or Canada be eligible for a medical license even though they have exceeded the allowable number of attempts on an acceptable

licensing exams. After discussion, Dr. Nayak moved to recommend to the full Board that the rules as presented be published in the Texas Register for public comment. Mr. Agarwal seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

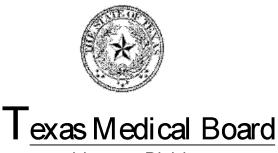
Agenda Item 9 – Adjourn.

There being no further business, Mr. Agarwal moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Naidu seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

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Agenda Item 04b – Proposed orders offered by the Executive Director

Applicant #Type of ApplicationType of Order2340Physician LicenseRemedial Plan



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FULL

TOTAL APPLICANTS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR PERMANENT LICENSURE

	<u>M.D.'S</u>	<u>D.O.'S</u>	<u>UK</u>	TOTAL
GRADUATES OF:				
TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOLS	11	1	0	12
CANADIAN MEDICAL SCHOOLS	0	0	0	0
OUT-OF-STATE MEDICAL SCHOOLS	20	5	0	25
FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOLS	9	0	0	9
GRAND TOTAL	40	6		46
LICENSE TYPE AND METHOD: ADMINISTRATIVE MEDICINE				
REGULAR RELICENSURE REINSTATEMENT TOTAL:	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0 0
CONCEDED EMINENCE REGULAR RELICENSURE REINSTATEMENT TOTAL:	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0

REGULAR	39	6	0	45
RELICENSURE	1	0	0	1
REINSTATEMENT	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	40	6	0	46
PUBLIC HEALTH REGULAR RELICENSURE REINSTATEMENT TOTAL:	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TELEMEDICINE REGULAR RELICENSURE REINSTATEMENT TOTAL:	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	40	6		46

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FULL LICENSURE APPLICANTS FOR
CONSIDERATION AT OCTOBER, 2019 BOARD MEETING

- 1. AREA, COREY CMD FULL-REG (676631) SCHOOL: UNIV OF QUEENSLAND, FAC OF MED, HERSTON, QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA (OCHSNER MD/MBBS PROGRAMS)-2016 FULL-REG (680249) 2. BELCHER, LANDON DO SCHOOL: UNIV OF NORTH TEXAS HLTH SCI CTR, TEXAS COLL OF OSTEO MED. FORT WORTH-2018 BOTTEM, LEET DO 3. FULL-REG (687422) SCHOOL: DES MOINES UNIV. COLL OF OSTEO MED & SURG. DES MOINES IA-2002 BURSON, ANNA CHRISTELLA MD FULL-REL (457982) 4. SCHOOL: LOUISIANA STATE UNIV SCH OF MED. SHREVEPORT-1997 BUSH, AMELIA EILEEN MD FULL-REG (698591) 5. SCHOOL: UNIV OF TX MEDICAL SCHOOL AT HOUSTON, HOUSTON, TX-2016 6. DESAI, RONAK MD FULL-REG (700663) SCHOOL: RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE, CHICAGO-2012 7. ERWAY, KIMBERLY ELLEN MD FULL-REG (698811) SCHOOL: JACOBS SCH OF MED AND BIOMEDICAL SCI, UNIV AT BUFFALO. BUFFALO, NEW YORK-2001 8. ETMAN. YASSER MD FULL-REG (700194) SCHOOL: SUEZ CANAL UNIV, FAC OF MED, ISMAILIA, EGYPT-2000 9. FRANK, DANIEL EDWARD MD FULL-REG (689036) SCHOOL: STATE UNIV OF NEW YORK AT STONY BROOK SCH OF MED, STONY **BROOK-1998** FULL-REG (696444) 10. FRIEND, BRIAN DANIEL MD SCHOOL: UNIV OF NEBRASKA COLL OF MED, OMAHA-2012 11. GANDHI, KABIR MD FULL-REG (680906) SCHOOL: ROSS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, ST MICHAEL, BARBADOS-2011 12. GEORGE. ROLLIN MD FULL-REG (591987) SCHOOL: UNIV OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, CHICAGO-2015
- 13. GLENISTER, ROLAND TSUNEO DO FULL-REG (686455)
 SCHOOL: CAMPBELL UNIV JERRY M WALLACE SCH OF OSTEO MED, BUIES
 CREEK, NC-2018

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SCHOOL: OHIO UNIV COLL OF OSTEO MED. ATHENS-2010

FULL-REG (576759)

KELLER. LAURA MARIE DO

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SCHOOL: UNIV OF TEXAS MED SCHOOL AT SAN ANTONIO, SAN ANTONIO, TX-

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Agenda Item 04d: Surgical Assistant Licensure Applicants to be Licensed

- 1. Aguilar, Alec
- 2. Bell, Hallie
- 3. Blanco Sananes, Juan
- 4. Davis, Kashinda
- 5. Gonzalez Vadell, Eduardo
- 6. Hankerson, Noah
- 7. Landry, Jacob
- 8. Rice, Jasmine
- 9. Schutz, Kimberley
- 10. Valle, Holly
- 11. Williams, Steven

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Agenda Item 04e: List of Applicants for Acudetox Certification

- 1. Abzug, Tracy
- 2. Castillo-Sandoval, Maria
- 3. Daley, Michelle
- 4. Dittrich, Debbie
- 5. Fiester, Lorella
- 6. Green, Roxanne
- 7. Kakkanatt, George
- 8. Osmer, Sarah
- 9. Turrentine, Victoria
- 10. Wansart, Jessica

Agenda Item 7a: Applications for Initial Certification as a Nonprofit Health Organization

- 1. Attigo Infusion, Inc.
- 2. Crossroads Medical Group, Inc.
- 3. Gulf Coast Medicus
- 4. Pampa Emergency Medical Group
- 5. Texas Heart Medical Group
- 6. UMC El Paso Healthcare, Inc.

Agenda Item 7b: Applications for Biennial Recertification as a Nonprofit Health Organization

- 1. 1960 Physician Associates
- 2. Atascosa Health Center, Inc.
- 3. Barrio Comprehensive Family Health Care Center, Inc./Communicare Health Centers
- 4. BHS Physicians Network
- 5. Brazos Valley Community Action Agency, Inc.
- 6. Brazosport Regional Physician Services
- 7. Cactus Health Services, Inc.
- 8. Cardiovascular Care Providers, Inc.
- 9. Coastal Pathology, Inc.
- 10. Conroe Medical Education Foundation
- 11. Critical Access Medical Group
- 12. Dallas Methodist Physician Network
- 13. Dallas Physician Medical Services for Children, Inc.
- 14. East Texas Border Clinic/Genesis PrimeCare
- 15. El Centro del Barrio/CentroMed
- 16. Fort Bend Family Health Center/AccessHealth
- 17. Frontera Healthcare Network
- 18. Gateway Community Health Center, Inc.
- 19. Gulf Coast Health Center, Inc.
- 20. Harlingen Physician Network
- 21. HOPE Clinic
- 22. Hormone Wellness Center of Texas
- 23. Houston Community Health Center, Inc.
- 24. Infusion Center of Tyler, Inc.
- 25. Lone Star Circle of Care
- 26. Matagorda Episcopal Health Outreach Program (MEHOP)
- 27. Metroplex Pathology Associates
- 28. Midland Community Healthcare Services (MCHS)
- 29. MMH Physicians
- 30. Montgomery County Clinical Services, Inc.
- 31. My Home MD
- 32. North Central Texas Community Health Care Center, Inc.
- 33. North Texas Area Community Health Centers, Inc.
- 34. NuPhysicia Health of Texas
- 35. Pedi-Ortho Health Corporation
- 36. Physicians Quality Alliance of North Texas
- 37. Project Vida Health Center
- 38. Renaissance Specialty Surgery
- 39. Shannon Clinic
- 40. South Plains Rural Health Services, Inc.

- 41. South Texas Physician Alliance
- 42. SPMG Signature Pampa Medical Group/Pampa Medical Group
- 43. Texas Children's Physician Group
- 44. Texas Children's Women's Specialists
- 45. The Asian American Health Coalition/HOPE Clinic
- 46. Trinity Behavioral Rehabilitation
- 47. United Regional Physician Group

Agenda Item 7c: Cancellation of Organizations Certified as a Nonprofit Health Organization

- 1. CHRISTUS Connected Care Network
- 2. CL Medical Associates II, Inc.
- 3. Hunt Regional PHO
- 4. Macarthur Emergency Physicians Management, Inc.
- 5. Wellness Innovations Physician Partners
- 6. West Chase Clinical Associates, Inc.

TITLE 22 EXAMINING BOARDS PART 9 TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD CHAPTER 163

RULE 163.13 EXPEDITED LICENSURE

- (a) Applications for licensure shall be expedited by the board's licensure division provided the applicant meets the criteria for applying for licensure under §163.2(d) of this title (relating to Full Texas Medical License) or submits an affidavit stating that:
- (1) the applicant intends to practice in a rural community as determined by the Office of Rural Health Initiatives; or
- (2) the applicant intends to practice medicine in a medically underserved area or health professional shortage area designated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services that has a shortage of physicians.
- (b) Applications for licensure by certain psychiatrists shall be expedited by the board's licensure division.
- (1) To be eligible, the applicant must meet the following criteria:
- (A) holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine issued by another state;
- (B) is board certified in psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or the American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry; and
- (C) is not ineligible for licensure under §155.003(e) of the Medical Practice Act.
- (2) The board's licensure division shall review all applications upon receipt to determine whether an applicant is eligible for expedited licensure.
- (3) Subsection (b) of this section is effective September 1, 2017, and expires on January 1, 2022.
- (c) Applications for licensure by certain physicians licensed in other states or Canada for a certain period of years shall be expedited by the board's licensure division. The Board has interpreted the intent of Tex. Occ. Code, Section 155.0561, to recognize that a physician can demonstrate competency by engaging in the active practice of medicine over a period of years in the United States or Canada. By allowing these physicians to seek expedited licensure it increases access to medical care for the citizens of Texas.
- (1) An applicant meets the criteria set out in Tex. Occ. Code, Section 155.0561, shall be deemed to have met the requirements of Tex. Occ. Code, Section 155.003.

Expedited Licensing for Certain Out-of State Physicians

The following rule is being proposed for publication. This rule change is an implementation of a legislative mandate in H.B. 1504 (86th Regular Legislative Session) that requires the Board to develop an expedited licensing process for certain applicants who also hold an out-of-state license in good standing. Relevant statutory sections are:

Sec. 155.0561. EXCEPTIONS TO EXAMINATION ATTEMPT LIMITS FOR CERTAIN OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS. (a) In this section:

- (1) "Active practice" means the practice of medicine by a person after successful completion of a residency, fellowship, or other supervised training program.
- (2) "Full license" means a license to practice medicine that is not a training license, a permit, or any other form of authority to practice medicine issued to a person while the person is completing or enrolled in a residency, fellowship, or other supervised training program.
 - (b) This section applies only to an applicant who:
- (1) has successfully completed a graduate medical education program approved by the board;
- (2) holds a full license and is in good standing as a physician in another state or Canada;
- (3) does not hold and has never held a medical license subject to any restriction, disciplinary order, or probation;
- (4) is not and has never been the subject of a peer review that has resulted or may result in limitation, restriction, suspension, or other adverse impact on the applicant's hospital or other medical facility privileges; and
- (5) is not under investigation by any licensing or law enforcement agency.
- (c) An applicant described by Subsection (b) who has held a full license and been in active practice for at least one year but less than five years and has passed within three attempts all but one part of the examination approved by the board is considered to have satisfied the examination requirements of this chapter if the applicant passed the remaining part of the examination within:
 - (1) one additional attempt; or
- (2) three additional attempts, if the applicant is specialty board certified by a specialty board that is:
- (A) a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties; or
- (B) approved by the American Osteopathic Association.
- (d) An applicant described by Subsection (b) who has held a full license and been in active practice for at least five years is considered to have satisfied the examination requirements of this chapter regardless of the type of examination the applicant passed

or the number of attempts within which the applicant passed the examination or any part of the examination.

Sec. 155.011. EXPEDITED LICENSING PROCESS FOR CERTAIN OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS. The board by rule shall develop and implement an expedited licensing process for an applicant who is considered to have satisfied the examination requirements of this chapter under Section 155.0561(d)