





**TO:** The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

**FROM:** Douglas E. Lentivech 

**SUBJECT:** Report of the Committee on the Professions Regarding Licensing Petitions

**DATE:** February 2, 2015

**AUTHORIZATION(S):** 

### SUMMARY

#### **Issue for Consent Agenda**

Should the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions pertaining to licensing petitions 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 February 10, 2015 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 are four licensing petitions and 15 requests for the conferral of the degree Doctor of Medicine for review and approval.

## **Recommendation**

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

## **Timetable for Implementation**

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective February 10, 2015.

**Cases Presented to Board of Regents on February 10, 2015**

**SUMMARY REPORT**

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Experience	Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine	Three-Year Limited License
	Pre- Professional	Professional	Post- Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing			
Dentistry		15-02-50						
Optometry					15-01-56			
Medicine							15-01-60C to 15-14-60C	
OTHER :						<b>Total for fiscal year to date:</b> 258 <b>Total for calendar year to date:</b> 17		

**Board of Regents: February 10, 2015**

**DENTISTRY**

15-02-50

Prachi Hanwatkar  
Pittsford, NY

(V.S.P.M.'s Dental College and Research Center, Nagpur University, Nagpur, Maharashtra, India, Bachelor of Dental Surgery, January 2003)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

Statement of Problem: An applicant for licensure in dentistry who has completed a program of dental education in an unregistered or unaccredited dental school is required to complete two academic years of study in an accredited dental school program culminating in certification that the applicant has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of that school.

Dr. Hanwatkar enrolled in the two-year Advanced Education in General Dentistry at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health of the University of Rochester and completed the program in June 2014. This program is acknowledged by the State Board for Dentistry as the substantial equivalent of the two-year program required in Regulation.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 61 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education requires:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of preprofessional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1)(a) Higher Secondary Education is equivalent to one year of preprofessional education  (1)(b) see below for additional education
(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2) Five years of acceptable professional dental education culminating in a Bachelor of Dental Surgery, V.S.P.M.'s Dental College and Research Center, Nagpur University, Nagpur, Maharashtra, India, July 1997 to June 2002.
(3) Two academic years of study in an accredited dental school program culminating in certification that the applicant has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of that school.	(3) Two-year Advanced Education in General Dentistry at the University of Rochester, Eastman Institute for Oral Health, Rochester, New York, July 2012 through June 2014.

(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.
(5) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.	(5)
(6) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.	(6)
(7) Evidence of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.	(7)

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Dentistry, recommends that the applicant's preprofessional and professional education requirements be considered fulfilled.

**OPTOMETRY**

15-01-56

Angelo Tocco

Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48230

(Michigan College of Optometry, Big Rapids, Michigan, O.D., 1981)

Petition for: Waiver of New York State practical examination requirement.

Statement of Problem: Dr. Tocco has not passed a satisfactory practical examination as required for licensure either by the endorsement or examination route. New York State accepts a passing score on Part III of the National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) examination to satisfy the practical examination requirement. The NBEO practical examination was not required when Dr. Tocco was licensed in Michigan in 1981.

Additionally, Dr. Tocco has documented over 33 years of licensed practice in Michigan.

Based on Dr. Tocco's demonstration of clinical skills through his years of hands-on licensed practice and his success on other professional examinations, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Optometry recommends that the requirement for a satisfactory practical examination (NBEO Part III) be considered satisfied.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
Section 7104 of the Education Law and Part 66 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education	
(1) Approved Doctor of Optometry degree or the equivalent earned on completion of an acceptable optometry program.	(1) Ferris State University, Michigan College of Optometry, Big Rapids, Michigan, Doctor of Optometry, May 1981.
(2) Acceptable scores on a satisfactory written licensing examination; OR an optometry license issued by another jurisdiction with at least five years of professional practice of optometry following initial licensure and within the 10 years immediately preceding application for licensure by endorsement	(2)(a) Passed National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) Part I, April 1979, Part IIA, April 1981 and Part IIB, April 1981; [also passed Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease (TMOD), August 1989]. (2)(b) Licensed in Michigan in September 1981; over 33 years of professional practice.
(3) Acceptable scores on a satisfactory practical examination.	(3) See Statement of Problem.
(4) Evidence of good moral character.	(4) Evidence of good moral character.

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Optometry, recommends that the Part III practical examination be considered satisfied.

**NOW ELIGIBLE FOR LICENSURE**

## 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>15-01-60C</u> Su Aung Woodside, NY 11377	(1) Institute of Medicine, Madalay, Myanmar, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 11/11/00 (2) License 277866, issued 12/04/14
<u>15-02-60C</u> Rajanish Bobde Ossining, NY 10562	(1) Government Medical College, Nagpur, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery 01/04/88 (2) License #242040, issued 09/28/06
<u>15-03-60C</u> Opkar Chawla Centereach, NY 11720	(1) University of Bombay, Bombay, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 02/12/85 (2) License #183894, issued on 09/11/90
<u>15-04-60C</u> Ashwani Chhibber Rochester, NY 14642	(1) Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 01/02/78 (2) License #178625, issued on 07/03/89
<u>15-05-60C</u> Samir Garyali Astoria, NY 11102	(1) Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 09/16/00 (2) License #251271, issued 12/02/08
<u>15-06-60C</u> Jasjit Kochar East Setauket, NY 11733	(1) BJ Medical College, Ahmudabad, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 01/23/82 (2) License #193648, issued on 09/14/93
<u>15-07-60C</u> Kaixuan Liu West Orange, NJ 07052	(1) Hubei Medical University, Wuhan, China Bachelor of Medicine, 07/01/85 (2) License # 220538, issued on 03/07/01
<u>15-08-60C</u> Jignesh Modi	(1) NHL Municipal Medical College, Gujarat, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of

Middleton, NY 10941	Surgery, 03/29/01 (2) License #268013, Issued on 12/13/12
<u>15-09-60C</u> Tahera Nasreen Roslyn, NY 11576	(1) Rangpur Medical College Hospital, Rangpur, Bangladesh Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 04/15/01 (2) License # 270851, Issued on 06/19/13
<u>15-10-60C</u> Addy Nnsewo Valley Stream, NY 11580	(1) University of Nigeria, Emugu, Nigeria, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 06/01/81 (2) License #234005, Issued on 09/16/04
<u>15-11-60C</u> Vijay Pampana Hawthorne, NJ 07506	(1) Osmania Medical College, Vijayawada, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 04/10/06 (2) License #277865, Issued on 12/04/14
<u>15-12-60C</u> Ashfiqur Rahman Forest Hills, NY 11375	(1) University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 09/20/06 (2) License #277662, Issued on 11/04/14
<u>15-13-60C</u> Krishnasamy Soundararjan Penn Valley, PA 19072	(1) Madras Medical College, Chennai, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 09/21/88 (2) License #210566, Issued on 06/09/98
<u>15-14-60C</u> Meng Wang Stony Brook, NY 11794	(1) Beijing Medical University, Beijing, China, Bachelor of Medicine 07/01/98 (2) License #276059, Issued on 07/07/14

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