



**THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE
OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234**

TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: Frank Muñoz

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

DATE: November 30, 2010

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 3

AUTHORIZATION(S):

Summary

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions pertaining to licensing petitions as listed on the attachment?

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full board at its December 2010 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 4 licensing petitions and 12 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 December 14, 2010.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on: December 14, 2010

SUMMARY REPORT

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Experience	Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine	Three-Year Limited License
	Pre-Professional	Professional	Post-Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing			
Certified Public Accountancy					10-11-07			
Dentistry	10-12-50 10-13-50	10-12-50 10-13-50						
Medicine							10-156-60C to 10-167-60C	
Registered Professional Nursing		10-01-22						
OTHER:						Total for fiscal year to date:		193
						Total for calendar year to date:		235

Board of Regents: December 14, 2010

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

10-11-07

Larissa Matatoff
Kew Gardens, NY

(Baruch College, Bachelor of Business Administration, August 1998)

Petition for: Acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform Certified Public Accountancy (CPA) Examination.

Statement of Problem: Larissa Matatoff, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, she exceeded the 18-month conditioning requirement by 8 months.

Ms. Matatoff received conditional credit for passing the computer-based Auditing (AUD) section of the Examination in November 2007. She needed to pass the three remaining sections by June 30, 2009. She passed the Regulation (REG) section in November 2008, but did not pass the remaining two sections of the Examination by June 30, 2009. Ms. Matatoff then had until June 30, 2010 to pass the remaining two sections of the Examination, as well as to re-pass the AUD section. Ms. Matatoff passed the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in August 2009 and the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section in May 2010; however, she did not successfully re-pass the AUD section until August 2010.

Mr. Matatoff's ability to prepare and sit for the final AUD section was impeded by documented personal factors. Based on the supporting documentation and Ms. Matatoff's perseverance on the AUD section, despite significant personal factors, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy supports her petition to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 7404 of Education Law and Part 70 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) A bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in accountancy.	(1) Baruch College, August 1998.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2) (a) November 2007: Auditing (passing score). (b) April and October 2008 and February 2009: Business Environment and Concepts (failing scores).

	<p>(c) August 2008: Regulation (failing score).</p> <p>(d) November 2008: Regulation (passing score). Auditing (failing score).</p> <p>(e) August 2009: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score).</p> <p>(f) November 2009 and April 2010: Auditing re-pass (failing score).</p> <p>(g) March 2010: Financial Accounting and Reporting (failing score).</p> <p>(h) May 2010: Financial Accounting and Reporting (passing score).</p> <p>(i) August 2010: Auditing re-pass (passing score).</p>
(3) One year of satisfactory experience.	(3)

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy, recommends that the applicant's petition for acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform CPA Examination be accepted.

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REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSING

10-01-22

Elena Pavlovna Landano-Kessler
Brooklyn, NY 11230

(Kharkov Medical Uchilische, Kharkov, Ukraine, Medical Nurse in Children's Institutions, 1972)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

Statement of Problem: Ms. Landano-Kessler completed a three-year professional nursing program leading to a diploma of Medical Nurse in Children's Institutions at the Kharkov Medical Uchilische in Kharkov, Ukraine in June 1972. The diploma awarded to graduates of the school's general nursing program is Medical Nurse. Ms. Landano-Kessler asks that her education be accepted as satisfying the educational requirements for licensure.

Section 6905 of New York State Education Law requires that applicants for nursing licensure in registered professional nursing must have received a diploma or degree in general nursing. Ms. Landano-Kessler's school of nursing sent the Department copies of its nursing curricula, listing courses and hours for both its general nursing program and its medical nurse in children's institutions nursing program. Department staff have reviewed the specific courses for both programs and have determined that the general nursing study in both programs is substantially the same. The medical nurse in children's institutions program requires more total hours than the general program and includes additional hours in pediatric courses. Staff recommend that her nursing education be considered equivalent to the general nursing education required in Commissioner's Regulations.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 6905 of New York State Education Law and Section 64.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require:	
(1) Graduation from a general nursing program of at least two academic years in a country outside the United States that is satisfactory to the Department and recognized by the licensing authorities of that country as being preparation for practice as a registered professional nurse.	(1) Completed a three-year nursing program leading to the diploma of Medical Nurse in Children's Institutions at the Kharkov Medical Uchilische, Kharkov, Ukraine, June 1972.
(2) Satisfactory scores on the National Council Licensure Examination.	(2)

(3) Evidence of the required course in identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.	(3)
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RECOMMENDATION: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Nursing, recommends that the applicant's petition for acceptance of her nursing education be approved.

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DENTISTRY

10-12-50

Andres Ernesto Guerra
San Juan, Puerto Rico

(Universidad Central De Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela, Odontologia, July 2001)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

Statement of Problem: Regulations of the Commissioner require an applicant for licensure in dentistry to complete an acceptable pre-professional education program of at least two years in length (including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology and physics) and an acceptable professional dental education program of at least four years in length, for a total of six years of pre-professional and professional education. Dr. Guerra completed a five-year combined pre-professional and professional dental education program at the Universidad Central De Venezuela. Dr. Guerra lacks one year of education which is in the pre-professional area.

Additionally, an applicant must complete the two academic years of study required 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. Such study is required for applicants completing a program of dental education in an unregistered or unaccredited dental school.

Following dental school, Dr. Guerra completed a four-year Certificate Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (2004-2008) in the School of Dental Medicine, University of Puerto Rico. The Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. The Acting Dean of the University of Puerto Rico, School of Dental Medicine has stated that the completion of this certificate program represents that Dr. Guerra has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of graduates of their dental school program. The State Board for Dentistry agrees with the Acting Dean's statement and also recommends that this certificate program be used to fulfill the pre-professional education requirement and the clinically-based dental residency program requirement.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 61 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education requires:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) See qualification #2.

<p>(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.</p>	<p>(2)(a) Five years of acceptable pre-professional and professional dental education culminating in the Titulo de Odontologa, Universidad Central de Venezuela, December 2001.</p> <p>(2)(b) Four-year Certificate Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (2004-2008) in the School of Dental Medicine, University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico.</p>
<p>(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.</p>	<p>(3) Four-year Certificate Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (2004-2008) in the School of Dental Medicine University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico.</p>
<p>(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.</p>	<p>(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.</p>
<p>(5) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.</p>	<p>(5) Four-year Certificate Program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (2004-2008) in the School of Dental Medicine University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico.</p>
<p>(6) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.</p>	<p>(6) Alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United State.</p>
<p>(7) Evidence of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.</p>	<p>(7) Completed the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.</p>

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

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DENTISTRY

10-13-50

Anabella Carolina Oquendo
New York, New York

(Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela, Titulo de Odontologo, December 2002)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

Statement of Problem: Regulations of the Commissioner require an applicant for licensure in dentistry to complete an acceptable pre-professional education program of at least two years in length (including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology and physics) and an acceptable professional dental education program of at least four years in length, for a total of six years of pre-professional and professional education. Dr. Oquendo completed a five-year combined pre-professional and professional dental education program at the Universidad Central de Venezuela. Dr. Oquendo lacks one year of education which is in the pre-professional area.

Dr. Oquendo did not complete the two academic years of study required 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. Such study is required for applicants completing a program of dental education in an unregistered or unaccredited dental school. However, Dr. Oquendo did complete two years of postdoctoral studies at the New York University College of Dentistry. In the first year (2008-2009), she was a resident in the College's International Program in Advanced Aesthetic Dentistry. In the second year (2009-2010), Dr. Oquendo was a fellow in the same program. The Department has received a letter from the Associate Dean for International Programs at New York University College of Dentistry. In this letter, the Associate Dean has stated that "we are of the opinion that she has the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency of a graduate of the College." The State Board for Dentistry acknowledges that based on the program and statement of the Associate Dean, Dr. Oquendo has the substantial equivalent of the two-year program required in regulation.

The State Board also recommends that Dr. Oquendo's four years of practice as a general dentist for the Centro de Especialidades Odontologicas Los Palos Grandes in Caracas, Venezuela be accepted in fulfillment of the one year of pre-professional education which she is lacking.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 61 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education requires:	

(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) See qualification #2.
(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2)(a) Five years of acceptable pre-professional and professional dental education culminating in the Titulo de Odontologo, Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela, December 2002. (2)(b) Four years of practice as a general dentist for the Centro de Especialidades Odontologicas Los Palos Grandes, Caracas, Venezuela, 2004-2008.
(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 years of postdoctoral studies at the New York University College of Dentistry, New York, New York, 2008-2010.
(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(4)
(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) Completed the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.

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

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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>10-156-60C</u> Shahbaz Ahmad Selden, NY 11784	(1) Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 9/7/01. (2) License #259020, issued on 10/12/10.
<u>10-157-60C</u> Gopika Nandini Are Brooklyn, NY 11231	(1) Osmania Medical College, Hyderabad, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 3/27/86. (2) License #258787, issued on 9/24/10.
<u>10-158-60C</u> Sumita Bhaduri-McIntosh Wading River, NY 11792	(1) B.J. Medical College, Pune, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 3/28/91. (2) License #258346, issued on 8/25/10.
<u>10-159-60C</u> Kathleen Clark New York, NY 10162	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician & Surgeon, 6/15/07. (2) License #251181, issued on 11/21/08.
<u>10-160-60C</u> Brenda Garro Stony Brook, NY 11790	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician & Surgeon, 6/14/02. (2) License #247438 issued on 1/28/08.
<u>10-161-60C</u> Hitesh Kapupara Brooklyn, NY 11218	(1) Government Medical College, Bhavnagar, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 3/30/03. (2) License #257530, issued on 6/24/10.

<u>10-162-60C</u> Mohsinuzzaman Khan New Hyde Park, NY 11040	(1) Dhaka Medical College, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 5/1/92. (2) License #229082, issued on 7/1/03.
<u>10-163-60C</u> Rahat Khan Manlius, NY 13104	(1) Khyber Medical College, Peshawar, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery 1/17/94. (2) License #259114, issued on 10/18/10.
<u>10-164-60C</u> Sushma Manda New Hartford, NY 13413	(1) Gandhi Medical College, Ambala, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 10/16/00. (2) License #255214, issued on 10/20/09.
<u>10-165-60C</u> Anil Mattoo East Patchogue, NY 11772	(1) Government Medical College, Srinagar, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 9/9/89. (2) License #258417, issued on 8/30/10.
<u>10-166-60C</u> Sejal Patel Albertson, NY 11507	(1) Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 10/28/05. (2) License #259132, issued on 10/19/10.
<u>10-167-60C</u> Marcella Scaccia Astoria, NY 11102	(1) University of Rome, Rome, Italy, Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, 4/11/95. (2) License #241739, issued on 9/5/06.

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.