



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

**FROM:** Sarah S. Benson *Sarah A. Benson*

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

**DATE:** February 3, 2022

**AUTHORIZATION(S):** *Betty M...*

**SUMMARY**

**Issue for Decision (Consent)**

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

**Reason(s) for Consideration**

Required by State Statute.

**Proposed Handling**

This issue will come before the Full Board at its February 2022 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 six licensing petitions and twelve requests for the conferral of the degree of Doctor of Medicine for review and determination.

**Related Regents Items**

Not applicable.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding the degree conferrals.

**Timetable for Implementation**

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective, February 15, 2022.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on February 15, 2022

SUMMARY REPORT

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Experience	Confer Doctor of Medicine	Degree
	Pre-Professional	Professional	Post-Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing			
Dentistry		22-1-50 To 22-3-50						
Medicine					22-13-60 To 22-15-60		22-1-60C To 22-12-60C	
OTHER:						Total for fiscal year to date: 173		
						Total for calendar year to date: 27		

**Board of Regents, February 15, 2022**

**DENTISTRY**

22-01-50

Mandana Hashemi  
Rochester, New York

(Islamic Azad University, Tehran, Iran, Doctor of Dental Medicine, October 2010)

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.

Ms. Hashemi 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 2021. 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 and §24.3(a)(2) of the Rules of the Board of Regents	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of preprofessional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) Part of Professional Dental Education
(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2) Seven years of acceptable professional dental education culminating in a Doctor of Dental Medicine, Islamic Azad University, Tehran, Iran, October 2010
(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 Eastman institute for Oral Health of the University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, May 2019 through June 2021
(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)

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

## **DENTISTRY**

22-02-50

Gurpal Hoonjan  
Rochester, New York

(Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry, Queen Mary University of London, London, United Kingdom, Bachelor of Dental Surgery, July 2012)

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.

Mr. Hoonjan 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 2021. 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 and §24.3(a)(2) of the Rules of the Board of Regents	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of preprofessional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1)(a) GCE Advanced Levels (b)Part of Professional Dental 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, Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry, Queen Mary University of London, London, United Kingdom, July 2012
(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 Eastman institute for Oral Health of the University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, June 2019 through June 2021
(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)

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

**DENTISTRY**

22-03-50

Lia Madruga Cavalcanti  
Rochester, NY

(Universidade de Fortaleza, Fortaleza, Brazil, Titulo de Cirurgiao Dentista, December 2004)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

Statement of Problem: Regulations of the Commissioner require an applicant for licensure in dentistry to complete an acceptable preprofessional 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 preprofessional and professional education.

Part 24.3(a)(1) of the Rules of the Board of Regents allows the Committee on the Professions the authority to waive up to six semester hours of preprofessional education, and §24.3(a)(2) of the Rules of the Board of Regents gives the Committee on the Professions the authority to accept postsecondary study after completion of professional study in lieu of up to 30 semester hours of preprofessional study.

Dr. Madruga Cavalcanti completed a five-year professional dental education program at Universidade de Fortaleza in Fortaleza, Brazil. Therefore, she lacks one year of education which is in the preprofessional area, including courses in General Chemistry and Physics.

However, Dr. Madruga Cavalcanti also completed graduate coursework from February 2005 until November 2007, culminating in a Master of Clinical Pharmacology at Universidade Federal do Ceara in Fortaleza, Brazil. In addition, she completed graduate coursework from March 2006 until March 2008, culminating in a specialist certificate in Periodontology at Universidade de Fortaleza in Fortaleza, Brazil. Finally, she completed graduate coursework from January 2010 until June 2012, culminating in a specialist certificate in Implantology at Centro Universitario Inga in Fortaleza, Brazil. The Executive Secretary for the State Board for Dentistry recommends that these studies be considered to fulfill the one year of required preprofessional education.

Additionally, an applicant who completed a program of dental education in an unregistered or unaccredited dental school must complete the required 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. Madruga Cavalcanti 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 2021. 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:
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<p>Section 61 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and §24.3(a)(2) of the Rules of the Board of Regents</p>	
<p>(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of preprofessional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.</p>	<p>(1)(a) Graduate coursework from February 2005 until November 2007, culminating in a Master of Clinical Pharmacology at Universidade Federal do Ceara in Fortaleza, Brazil</p> <p>(1)(b) Graduate coursework from March 2006 until March 2008, culminating in a specialist certificate in Periodontology at Universidade de Fortaleza in Fortaleza, Brazil</p> <p>(1)(c) Graduate coursework from January 2010 until June 2012, culminating in a specialist certificate in Implantology at Centro Universitario Inga in Fortaleza, Brazil</p>
<p>(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.</p>	<p>(2) Five years of acceptable professional dental education culminating in a Titulo de Cirurgiao Dentists, Universidade de Fortaleza, Fortaleza, Brazil, December 2004</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) Two-year Advanced Education in General Dentistry at the University of Rochester, Eastman Institute for Oral Health, Rochester, New York, May 2019 through June 2021</p>
<p>(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.</p>	<p>(4)</p>
<p>(5) Acceptable clinically based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.</p>	<p>(5)</p>
<p>(6) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.</p>	<p>(6)</p>
<p>(7) Evidence of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.</p>	<p>(7)</p>

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

## **MEDICINE**

22-13-60

Philipp Fassbender  
Boston, Massachusetts

(University of Duisburg-Essen, Essen, Germany, Arztliche Prufung, November 2008)

Petition for: Endorsement of his medical license from Germany.

Statement of Problem: Commissioner's Regulations allow endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination. A license granted in a foreign country can be endorsed if licensure in that country is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance and acceptable to the Board of Regents. Additionally, the applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate completion of an acceptable proficiency examination, clinical competency examination, three years of American Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited postgraduate training or the equivalent, and five years of satisfactory professional experience.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Fassbender's application. He recommends that Dr. Fassbender's German Residency and Fellowship be accepted as the equivalent of the three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training required for licensure.

Commissioner's Regulations allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses and diplomate certificates to fulfill the licensure, proficiency, and clinical competency requirements for licensure by endorsement. Dr. Fassbender obtained his medical license in Germany in 2008. His German license is active and in good standing. Additionally, Dr. Fassbender holds Board Certification in Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine and holds a European Diploma in Anesthesiology and Intensive Care issued by European Society of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Fassbender's German license be endorsed, and his Certifications and Diploma be accepted to fulfill the proficiency examination and the clinical competency requirements for endorsement.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Sections 60.1, 60.3, and 60.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) University of Duisburg-Essen, Essen, Germany, Arztliche Prufung, November 2008
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) (a) Board Certification in Anesthesiology issued by Arztekammer Nordrhein, Dusseldorf, Germany, January 2014 2(b) Board Certification in Intensive Care Medicine issued by Arztekammer

	Nordrhein, Dusseldorf, Germany, May 2017
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Residency in Anesthesiology at University Medicine Essen/ University Hospital in Essen, Germany from December 2008 through January 2014 (3) (b) Fellowship in Critical Care Medicine at University Medicine Essen/University Hospital in Essen, Germany from June 2016 through May 2017
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) German license, November 2008
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) European Diploma in Anesthesiology and Intensive Care issued by the Board of the European Society of Anesthesiology, December 2014
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory professional experience.	(6) Over five years of satisfactory professional experience
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(7)
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8)
(9) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's qualifications be accepted to fulfill the requirements for licensure by endorsement.

## **MEDICINE**

22-14-60

Kristin Gebauer

Forest Hills, New York

(Medizinische Hochschule Luebeck, Luebeck, Germany, Arztliche Prufung, November 2006, Doctor of Medicine, November 2008)

Petition for: Endorsement of her medical license from Germany.

Statement of Problem: Commissioner's Regulations allow endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination. A license granted in a foreign country can be endorsed if licensure in that country is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance and acceptable to the Board of Regents. Additionally, the applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate completion of an acceptable proficiency examination, clinical competency examination, three years of American Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited postgraduate training or the equivalent, and five years of satisfactory professional experience.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Gebauer's application. He recommends that Dr. Gebauer's German Residencies be accepted as the equivalent of the three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training required for licensure.

Commissioner's Regulations allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses and diplomate certificates to fulfill the licensure, proficiency, and clinical competency requirements for licensure by endorsement. Dr. Gebauer obtained her medical license in Germany in 2006. Her German license is active and in good standing. Additionally, Dr. Gebauer holds Specialist Certification in Orthopaedics, Trauma Surgery and Hand Surgery and holds a Doctor of Medicine Diploma issued by University of Lubeck.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Gebauer's German license be endorsed, and her Certifications and Diploma be accepted to fulfill the proficiency examination and the clinical competency requirements for endorsement.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
Sections 60.1, 60.3, and 60.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) Medizinische Hochschule Luebeck, Luebeck, Germany, Arztliche Prufung, November 2006
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) (a) Specialist Certification in Orthopaedics and Trauma Surgery issued by Arztekammer Niedersachsen, Germany – May 2013 2(b) Specialist Certification in Hand

	Surgery issued by Arztekammer Niedersachsen, Germany – November 2008
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Residency in Surgery at Krankenhaus Wittmund in Wittmund, Germany from January 2007 through December 2007 (3) (b) Residency in Orthopedics and Trauma Surgery at The St. Elizabeth Hospital in Damme, Germany from March 2008 through September 2009 (3) (c) Residency in Trauma Surgery/Orthopedics at Marienhospital Osnabruck in Osnabruck, Germany from October 2009 to April 2012 and September 2012 to October 2013 (3) (d) Residency in Orthopedics at Klinikum Dortmund in Dortmund, Germany from April 2012 through September 2012
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) German license, November 2006
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) Doctor of Medicine issued by University of Luebeck, November 2008
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory professional experience.	(6) Over five years of satisfactory professional experience
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(7)
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8)
(9) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's qualifications be accepted to fulfill the requirements for licensure by endorsement.

## **MEDICINE**

22-15-60

Dvir Koenigstein  
New York, New York

(Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, Doctor of Medicine, June 2014)

Petition for: Endorsement of his medical license from Israel.

Statement of Problem: Commissioner's Regulations allow endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination. A license granted in a foreign country can be endorsed if licensure in that country is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance and acceptable to the Board of Regents. Additionally, the applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate completion of an acceptable proficiency examination, clinical competency examination, three years of American Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited postgraduate training or the equivalent, and five years of satisfactory professional experience.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Koenigstein's application. He recommends that Dr. Koenigstein's Israeli Residency and Canadian Fellowship be accepted as the equivalent of the three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training required for licensure.

Commissioner's Regulations allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses and diplomate certificates to fulfill the licensure, proficiency, and clinical competency requirements for licensure by endorsement. Dr. Koenigstein obtained his medical license in Israel in 2013. His Israeli license is active and in good standing. Additionally, Dr. Koenigstein holds ECFMG Certification as of January 2015 and is a specialist in Ophthalmology issued by Israel Medical Association as of January 2019.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Koenigstein's Israeli license be endorsed, and his Certifications be accepted to fulfill the proficiency examination and the clinical competency requirements for endorsement.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
Sections 60.1, 60.3, and 60.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, Doctor of Medicine, June 2014
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) ECFMG Certification
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Residency in Ophthalmology through the Israeli Medical Association in Ramat-Gan, Israel from November 2013 through November 2018

	(3) (b) Vitreoretinal Fellowship at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, British Columbia from July 2019 through June 2020
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Israeli license, Ministry of Health – Division of Medical Professions, October 2013
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) Israeli Ophthalmology Specialist, Israeli Medical Association, Issued January 2019
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory professional experience.	(6) Over five years of satisfactory professional experience
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(7)
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8)
(9) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(9)

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's qualifications be accepted to fulfill the requirements for licensure by endorsement.

## 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>22-01-60C</u> Kimberley Cousins New York, NY 10029	(1) University of West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 07/01/2013 (2) License # 306162, Issued 07/09/2020
<u>22-02-60C</u> Mohit Garg Rochester, NY 14620	(1) King George Medical University, Lucknow, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 01/06/2009 (2) License # 308141, Issued 12/14/2020
<u>22-03-60C</u> Syed Hussain Brooklyn, NY 11234	(1) Dow Medical College, Karachi, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 11/17/2000 (2) License # 285011, Issued 06/15/2016
<u>22-04-60C</u> Aditya Joshi Wood Ridge, NJ 07075	(1) Seth G.S. Medical College, Mumbai, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 10/08/2014 (2) License # 307545, Issued 10/19/2020
<u>22-05-60C</u> Ira Khanna New York, NY 10009	(1) University of Delhi, New Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 03/14/2014 (2) License # 306410, Issued 07/22/2020
<u>22-06-60C</u> Prakash Krishnan Rye Brook, NY 10573	(1) Rajah Muthiah Medical College, Tamil Nadu, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 01/31/1997 (2) License # 229131, Issued 07/05/2003
<u>22-07-60C</u> Yixian Li New Rochelle, NY 10801	(1) Sun Yat Sen University, Guangzhou, China, Bachelor of Medicine, 06/18/2014 (2) License # 313640, Issued 10/27/2021

<u>22-08-60C</u> Kah Poh Loh Rochester, NY 14642	(1) Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Dublin, Ireland, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, Bachelor of Obstetrics, 05/28/2012 (2) License # 291303, Issued 09/22/2017
<u>22-09-60C</u> Hassan Qureshi East Meadow, NY 11554	(1) Quaid-e-Azam Medical College Islamia University, Punjab, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/09/2013 (2) License # 313685, Issued 11/01/2021
<u>22-10-60C</u> Tian Wang Odenton, MD 21113	(1) Shanghai Medical College of Fudan University, Shanghai, China, Bachelor of Medicine, 07/01/2015 (2) License # 313942, Issued 11/18/2021
<u>22-11-60C</u> Yi-Loong Woon Fort Lee, NJ 07024	(1) National University of Singapore, Singapore, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 07/31/2001 (2) License # 287503, Issued 01/20/2017
<u>22-12-60C</u> Qiping Xu Mankato, MN 56001	(1) Medical Center of Fudan University, Shanghai, China, Bachelor of Medicine, 06/17/2016 (2) License # 313866, Issued 11/15/2021

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