



**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:** Douglas E. Lentivech 

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

**DATE:** November 29, 2018

**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 December 11, 2018 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

**Procedural History**

Section 6506(5) of the Education Law and §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 five licensing petitions and seven 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 and degree conferrals.

### **Timetable for Implementation**

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective, December 11, 2018.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on December 11, 2018

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					18-26-07 to 18-27-07			
Medicine					18-119-60 to 18-121-60		18-170-60C to 18-176-60C	
OTHER:						Total for fiscal year to date: 182 Total for calendar year to date: 242		

**Board of Regents: December 11, 2018**

**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY**

18-26-07

Chikako Kaneko

(Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minnesota, Bachelor of Science, August 2013)

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

Statement of Problem: Ms. Kaneko, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, the applicant exceeded the 18-month conditioning requirement by three days. Ms. Kaneko's Examination history data was subject to software failure and administrative problems within the scheduling system for the Examination. She received conditional credit for the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in April 2015 and needed to pass the three remaining sections of the Examination by December 31, 2016 to retain credit for BEC. Within the 18-month conditioning period, she passed the Auditing and Attestation (AUD) section in February 2016 and the Regulation (REG) section in July 2016. Ms. Kaneko also sat for the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section in October 2016 within the 18-month conditioning period, but she did not pass. Ms. Kaneko passed FAR in the next testing window, January 2017; however, it was three days outside of the 18-month conditioning period.

During the January 2017 scheduling of the FAR section, the applicant experienced an administrative and technical failure of the software that prevented her from rescheduling the BEC section that had expired. Due to an administrative and technical glitch, NASBA's testing system provided incorrect information and the applicant was not allowed to re-sit for the BEC section.

Based on these unique circumstances and NASBA's documentation that this was an administrative and technical failure for which the applicant had no control, the Executive Secretary for the State Board for Public Accountancy supports Ms. Kaneko's request to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
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) Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minnesota, Bachelor of Science, August 2013.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2) (a) April 2015: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score). (b) May, August and October 2015: Auditing and Attestation (failing scores); February 2016 (passing score). (c) August and November 2015 and April 2016: Regulation (failing scores); July 2016 (passing score). (d) October 2016: Financial Accounting and Reporting (failing score); January 2017 (passing score).
(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.

## **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY**

18-27-07

Alexander Titov

(State University of New York at Oneonta, Oneonta, New York, Bachelor of Science, May 2012)

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

Statement of Problem: Mr. Titov, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, the applicant exceeded the 18-month conditioning requirement by two days. Mr. Titov's Examination history data was subject to software failure and administrative problems within the scheduling system for the Examination.

He received conditional credit for the Auditing and Attestation (AUD) section in April 2014, but he did not pass all three remaining sections within the 18-month conditioning period of December 31, 2015. His new 18-month conditioning period was based on him passing the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section in April 2015. His conditioning period was then reset to December 31, 2016. Mr. Titov then re-passed AUD in October 2016 and Regulation (REG) in November 2016 within the reset 18-month conditioning period. However, the applicant was not able to pass the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section within that 18-month conditioning period despite three attempts and his FAR section expired.

Mr. Titov passed the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in January 2017, two days outside of the new conditioning period. During the January 2017 scheduling of the BEC section, the applicant experienced an administrative and technical failure of the software that prevented him from rescheduling the FAR section that had expired. Due to an administrative and technical glitch, NASBA's testing system provided incorrect information and the applicant was not allowed to re-sit for the FAR section.

Based on these unique circumstances and NASBA's documentation that this was an administrative and technical failure for which the applicant had no control, the Executive Secretary for the State Board for Public Accountancy supports Mr. Titov's request to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
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) State University of New York at Oneonta, Oneonta, New York, Bachelor of Science, May 2012.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2)(a) April 2014: Auditing and Attestation (passing score – lost credit); September 2016 (failing reset score); October 2016 (passing reset score). (b) May 2014: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score – lost credit); April, July and December 2016 (failing reset scores); January 2017 (passing reset score). (c) November 2014 and February 2015: Financial Accounting and Reporting (failing scores); April 2015 (passing score)

	that establishes reset 18-month window of December 2016). (d) July and November 2015, February, June and August 2016: Regulation (failing scores); November 2016 (passing score).
(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.

**MEDICINE**

18-119-60

Bandar Aljudaibi  
Rochester, New York

(King Saudi University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery, January 2003)

Petition for: Endorsement of his medical license from Saudi Arabia.

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.

Representatives from the State Board for Medicine have reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Aljudaibi’s application. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Aljudaibi’s Canadian Post Graduate Training between 2005 and 2013 be accepted as the substantial 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. Aljudaibi obtained his medical license in Saudi Arabia in 2004. His Saudi Arabian license is active and in good standing. Dr. Aljudaibi is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in Internal Medicine as of August 2008 and Gastroenterology as of November 2011 and is certified by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in Internal Medicine as of June 2009 and Gastroenterology as of October 2011.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Aljudaibi’s Saudi Arabian 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 and 60.5 of the Commissioner’s Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) King Saudi University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery, January 2003



(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) (a) American Board of Internal Medicine, Internal Medicine, issued August 2008 (b) American Board of Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology, issued November 2011
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Residency in Internal Medicine at Western University in London, Ontario, Canada from July 2005 through June 2008. (b) Residency in Gastroenterology at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada from July 2008 through June 2011. (c) Fellowship in Liver Transplantation at University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada from July 2011 through January 2013.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Saudi Arabian license, Saudi Commission for Health Specialties, 2004
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5)(a) Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, Internal Medicine, Issued June 2009 (b) Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, Gastroenterology, Issued October 2011
(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**

18-120-60

Alison Kent  
Rochester, New York

(Flinders University of South Australia, Bedford Park, Australia, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, June 1994)

Petition for: Endorsement of her medical license from Australia.

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.

Representatives from the State Board for Medicine have reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Kent's application. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Kent's Australian Post Graduate Training between 1994 and 2001 be accepted as the substantial 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. Kent obtained her medical license in Australia in 1994. Her Australian license is active and in good standing. Dr. Kent has a Doctor of Medicine degree from The Australian National University and is a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Physicians of December 2000.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Kent's Australian license be endorsed, and her Doctorate and Fellowship be accepted to fulfill the proficiency examination and the clinical competency requirements for endorsement.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
Sections 60.1 and 60.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	

(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) Flinders University of South Australia, Bedford Park, Australia, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, June 1994.
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) Doctor of Medicine from The Australian National University in Canberra, Australia, December 2009.
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Internship at The Queens Elizabeth Hospital in Adelaide, South Australia from January 1994 to January 1995. (b) Basic Training through the Royal Australian College of Physicians between 1995 and 1997. (c) Fellowship in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine through the Royal Australasian College of Physicians from January 1998 to January 2001.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Australian license, Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency, January 1994.
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) (a) Fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Physicians as of December 2000.
(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**

18-121-60

Saverio La Francesca  
Houston, Texas

(University of Palermo, Palermo, Italy, Diploma in Medicine and Surgery, December 1985)

Petition for: Endorsement of his medical license from Italy.

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.

Representatives from the State Board for Medicine have reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. La Francesca's application. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. La Francesca's Italian and United States Post Graduate Training between 1986 and 1994 be accepted as the substantial 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. La Francesca obtained his medical license in Italy in 1996. His Italian license is active and in good standing. Dr. La Francesca is ECFMG certified and holds a diploma as Doctor and Surgeon Specializing in Cardiovascular Surgery issued by University of Rome as of July 1991.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. La Francesca's Italian license be endorsed, and his ECFMG certification and Specialization 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 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 Palermo, Palermo, Italy, Diploma in Medicine and Surgery, December 1985
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) ECFMG Certification
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) Residency in Cardiovascular Surgery at University of Rome in Rome, Italy from 1986 through 1991. (b) Fellowship in Cardiovascular Surgery at Texas Heart Institute in Houston, Texas from June 1991 through May 1992. (c) Fellowship in Cardiac Transplant at Texas Heart Institute in Houston, Texas from July 1992 through December 1992. (d) Fellowship in Cardiovascular Surgery at Texas Heart Institute in Houston, Texas from August 1993 through February 1994.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Italian license, Ordine Provinciale Di Roma Dei Medici-Chirurghi E Degli Odontoiatri, February 1996
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) Diploma as Doctor and Surgeon Specializing in Cardiovascular Surgery issued by University of Rome as of July 1991
(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.

<b>NAME OF PETITIONER</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS</b>
<u>18-170-60C</u> Archana Gupta Boca Raton, FL 33432	(1) Government Medical College, Maharashtra University of Health-Government Medical College, Maharashtra, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 04/25/06 (2) License # 295147 Issued 07/18/18
<u>18-171-60C</u> Warren Isakow Saint Louis, MO 63141	(1) University of Wiatersrand, Gauteng, South Africa, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/02/98 (2) License # 296198, Issued 09/26/18
<u>18-172-60C</u> Iftexhar Mahmud Bronx, NY 10470	(1) University of Khaka, Khaka, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 08/07/10 (2) License # 294789, Issued 06/22/18
<u>18-173-60C</u>	(1) Rajiv Gandhi University of Health

Poonam Bantwal Hebbalasan New York, NY 10019	Sciences, Bachelor of Medicine, Karnataka, India, Bachelor of Surgery 03/24/07 (2) License # 293650, Issued 04/24/18
<u>18-174-60C</u> Shobha Parajuli Cincinnati, OH 45236	(1) Kathmandu University, Kaski, Nepal, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery 12/11/03 (2) License # 287767, Issued 02/09/17
<u>18-175-60C</u> Zainab Shahnawaz Fayetteville, NY 13066	(1) Allama Iqbal Medical College, Punjab, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery, 11/11/10 (2) License # 296045, Issued on 09/13/18
<u>18-176-60C</u> David Vicas Lake Grove, NY 11755	(1) Universidad De Los Andes, Merida, Venezuela, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 02/26/94 (2) License # 284005, Issued on 04/21/16

**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