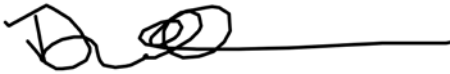




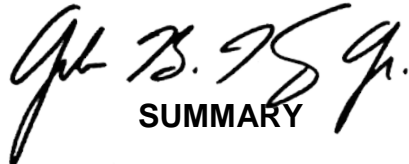
THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

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: March 4, 2013

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 March 2013 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 2 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 March 12, 2013.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on March 12, 2013

SUMMARY REPORT

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Experience	Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine	Three-Year Limited License
	Pre- Professional	Professional	Post- Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing			
Registered Professional Nursing		13-01-22						
Optometry				13-01-56				
Medicine							13-37-60C To 13-51-60C	
OTHER						Total for fiscal year to date: 220 Total for calendar year to date: 62		

Board of Regents: March 12, 2013

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSING

13-01-22

Ledina Kalemaj
Albany, NY 12206

(Universitetit Teknologjik “Ismail Qemal Vlora”, Vlore, Albania, Nurse-Midwife, 2006)

Petition for: Acceptance of education

Statement of Problem: 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. Kalemaj completed a 33-month nurse-midwifery program in Albania in 2006 instead of a general nursing program.

The school provided copies of curriculums from the 2002 – 2006 time period for both Nursing (professional nurse) and the Nurse-Midwife specialty. Department staff have reviewed the specific courses for both programs. The comparison shows that the applicant completed all general nursing courses, though hours in some subjects varies, and completed additional nursing and midwifery related courses for the longer nurse-midwifery program.

Based on this comprehensive comparative review, staff recommend that her nursing education be considered the substantial equivalent to the general nursing education required in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 6905 of New York State Education Law and Section 64.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education:	
(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) Universitetit Teknologjik “Ismail Qemal Vlora” (now Universiteti i Vlores “Ismail Qemali”), Vlore, Albania, Nurse-Midwife, 2006.
(2) Satisfactory scores on the National Council Licensure Examination.	
(3) Evidence of the required course in 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 Nursing, recommends that the applicant's petition for acceptance of her nursing education be approved.

Board of Regents: March 12, 2013

OPTOMETRY

13-01-56

Edward Forszt

Clifton, New Jersey 07012

(Indiana University School of Optometry, Bloomington, Indiana, Doctor of Optometry, December 1984)

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

Statement of Problem: Dr. Forszt 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. Forszt was first licensed in Massachusetts in 1985.

However, Dr. Forszt has documented over nine years of licensed experience in New Jersey.

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

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 7104 of the Education Law and Part 66 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require:	
(1) Approved Doctor of Optometry degree or the equivalent earned on completion of an acceptable optometry program.	1) Indiana University School of Optometry, Bloomington, Indiana, Doctor of Optometry, 1984.
(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 1982, Part IIA, April 1983 and Part IIB, April 1984; [also passed Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease (TMOD), August 1995]. (2)(b) Licensed in Massachusetts in January 1985, New Jersey in January 1985 and Pennsylvania in February 1985; over 9 years of professional practice.

(3) Acceptable scores on a satisfactory practical examination.	(3) See Statement of Problem.
(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 waived.

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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>13-37-60C</u> Ataul Chowdhury Woodside, NY 11377	(1) Dhaka Medical College/Hospital, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 4/4/93. (2) License #256970, issued on 5/3/10.
<u>13-38-60C</u> Tanvir Dara Getzville, NY 14068	(1) King Edward Medical College, Lahore, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/24/1985. (2) License #197036, issued on 9/6/94.
<u>13-39-60C</u> Enrique Davis Bronx, NY 10464	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician & Surgeon, 2/1/65. (2) License #108161, issued on 3/8/71.
<u>13-40-60C</u> Chaudhry Ghumman Williston Park, NY 11596	(1) King Edward Medical College, Lahore, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 03/31/79. (2) License #189683, issued on 7/3/92.
<u>13-41-60C</u> Ingrid Hernandez Selman Webster, NY 14580	(1) University Del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia, Physician & Surgeon, 7/5/03. (2) License #264272, issued on 2/9/12.

<u>13-42-60C</u> Manisha Jain Scarsdale, NY 10583	(1) Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 03/15/95. (2) License #250474, issued on 9/19/08.
<u>13-43-60C</u> Muhammad Jhandier Chicago, IL 60607	(1) University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/5/01. (2) License #267308, issued on 10/26/12.
<u>13-44-60C</u> Shefali Karkare Lake Success, NY 11020	(1) Lokmanya Tilak Mum College/Hospital, Mumbai, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/2/98. (2) License #264420, issued on 2/24/12.
<u>13-45-60C</u> Mukul Khurana Moultrie, GA 31768	(1) Sawai Man Singh Med/Hospital, Jaipur, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 06/29/95. (2) License #264609, issued on 3/14/12.
<u>13-46-60C</u> Htet Htet Linn Elmhurst, NY 11373	(1) Institute of Medicine I, Yangon, Myanmar, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/14/04. (2) License #262390, issued on 7/25/11.
<u>13-47-60C</u> Afshan Malik New York, NY 10021	(1) University of Punjab, Punjab, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 4/23/02. (2) License #262672, issued on 8/18/11.
<u>13-48-60C</u> Sumit Saraf Brooklyn, NY 11228	(1) Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nashik, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 4/25/06. (2) License #004073, issued on 6/18/12.
<u>13-49-60C</u> Jennifer Singarayer (Selvarajah) Fayetteville, NY 13066	(1) University of London, London, United Kingdom, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 7/15/95. (2) License #235478, issued on 3/17/05.
<u>13-50-60C</u> Indu Talwar Schenectady, NY 12303	(1) Government Medical College, Jamma, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 8/19/87. (2) License #240774, issued on 6/26/06.
<u>13-51-60C</u> Henry Thukha Elmhurst, NY 11373	(1) Institute of Medicine I, Yangon, Myanmar, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/14/04. (2) License #266101, issued on 7/30/12.

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.