



**TO:** The Honorable 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 29, 2024

**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

**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 question will come before the Full Board at its March 2024 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 two licensing petitions and seven requests for the conferral of the degree of Doctor of Medicine for review and determination.

**Related Regent's Items**

Not Applicable.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: Approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding the licensing petitions and degree conferrals.

## **Timetable for Implementation**

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective, March 12, 2024.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on March 12, 2024

SUMMARY REPORT

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION	
	Pre-Professional	Professional	Post-Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing
Medicine			24-16-60		24-17-60
EXPERIENCE:					
Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine:			24-07-60C To 24-13-60C		
OTHER:			Total for fiscal year to date: 133 Total for calendar year to date: 16		

## Board of Regents, March 12, 2024

### MEDICINE

24-16-60

Bibhuti Das

(Sher-e-Bangla Medical College, Barisal, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, April 2011)

Petition for: Acceptance of work experience in lieu of required postgraduate training.

Statement of Problem: Applicants from non-LCME accredited/non-Department registered programs are required to complete at least three years of approved postgraduate training (PGT) pursuant to 8 NYCRR 60.3(b)(2).

Title 8 NYCRR 60.3(d) allows the Committee on the Professions (COP) to accept clinical fellowships from the United States or Canada, or foreign PGT<sup>1</sup> that has been approved by the Board of Regents, toward meeting the approved PGT requirement in section 60.3(b)(2). Additionally, fellowships that are determined to be other than clinical or PGT obtained outside the United States or Canada, may be accepted on a pro rata basis at the discretion of the COP, based on the content of the experience as compared to the experience obtained in approved PGT.

Dr. Das is petitioning the COP for consideration of his work experience in lieu of the required PGT. Alternatively, Dr. Das seeks a waiver of the PGT requirement pursuant to Education Law §6506(5).

Dr. Das reports no PGT in his application materials submitted to the Department. He notes that, after earning his medical degree in 2010, he only engaged in an observership, an externship, and employment at various locations; he did not engage in any formal PGT, whether approved or unapproved. After being granted a NYS limited permit in Medicine in October 2019, he became employed as an Assistant Clinical Physician at the Central New York Psychiatric Center (CNYPC) for three years. Letters of support from physicians at CNYPC describe this employment period as work experience, not training.

Upon review of the presented information, the Medicine Board office determined that this experience did not meet the requirement of §60.3(b)(2), since he did not present any PGT, nor did it meet the requirement for review under §60.3(d), since his employment and work experience were neither a Fellowship nor formal training. Dr. Das is appealing this determination.

In the event that the COP agrees with the determination of the Medicine Board office stated above, Dr. Das seeks a waiver of the PGT requirement under Education Law §6506(5). This section provides that in supervising the admission to and the practice of the professions, the Board of Regents may waive education, experience, and examination

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<sup>1</sup> Such foreign PGT must be obtained in a country in which such training is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance.

requirements for a professional license prescribed in the article relating to the profession, provided the Board of Regents shall be satisfied that the requirements of such article have been substantially met. Regents Rule 24.7(a)(1) provides that the Committee on the Professions shall review such request and submit its recommendation to the Board of Regents for final determination.

To implement the general requirements set in law, the Department has an established policy for waiver cases pursuant to Education Law §6506(5) that requires an applicant to document fulfillment of all of the following:

1. licensure in another US state or US territory following completion of the applicable professional education, experience, and examination requirements satisfactory to the jurisdiction in which licensed;
2. satisfactory evidence of professional practice including at least seven of the ten years preceding application for licensure in New York State; and
3. evidence of significant professional achievement.

Dr. Das has not reported being licensed in another US state or territory. He claims three years of experience practicing under a limited permit at CNYPC as an Assistant Clinical Physician. Dr. Das's experience has been documented only as it is indicated in the letters of support and does not presently appear to substantially meet the usually required post-graduate training. Minimum standards for PGT include, but are not limited to, structured educational objectives, instructional objectives, periodic formative evaluations, and a summative evaluation or test demonstrating that the individual acquired the intended competencies. Medical residents are typically required to attend set work weeks of up to 80 hours and post-graduate training generally also includes academic faculty or a senior medical officer being responsible for instruction and oversight or the learning curriculum. Work experience does not include the foregoing learning structure.

Dr. Das has not yet submitted a C.V. or other evidence of significant professional achievement in accordance with the above policy. However, as he lacks appropriate licensure and sufficient professional practice experience for consideration of a waiver under §6506(5), the Department has not requested additional information related to his professional achievement.

In conclusion, because Dr. Das has not documented PGT or a fellowship that the Medicine Board office or the COP may consider toward the requirements of §60.3, and has not satisfied the Department that his work experience substantially meets the usual requirements so as to qualify for a waiver under Education Law §6506(5), the Executive Secretary for the State Board of Medicine recommends that Dr. Das's petition be denied for both fulfillment of required PGT and a waiver of the PGT requirement.

Authorizing Statute or Regulation: Education Law §6506(5), Rules of the Regents §24.7, 8 NYCRR §60.3(b)(2) and (d)

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
E.L. §6524 and Part 60 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education in a medical program recognized by the appropriate civil authorities of the country in which the school is located as an acceptable educational program for physicians.	(1) Sher-e-Bangla Medical College, University of Dhaka, Barisal, Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, April 2011.
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) ECFMG, June 2015
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) See Statement of Problem.
(4) Licensing examinations.	(4) USMLE Steps 1, 2, and 3
(5) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(5) documented in file
(6) Evidence of good moral character.	(6)
(7) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(7) documented in file

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's petition for either acceptance of the work experience as PGT meeting the requirements of §60.3, or for a waiver of postgraduate training, be denied.

**MEDICINE**

24-17-60

Daniel Shepshelovich  
Kiryat Ono, Israel

(Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv, Israel, Doctor of Medicine, June 2006)

Petition for: Endorsement of applicant’s 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.

Dr. Shepshelovich lacks one year of accredited postgraduate training. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Shepshelovich’s application. He recommends that Dr. Shepshelovich’s training 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 license, proficiency, and clinical competency requirements for New York State licensure by endorsement. Dr. Shepshelovich obtained his medical license in Israel in 2005. His Israeli license is active and in good standing. Additionally, Dr. Shepshelovich holds a specialty certificate in Internal Medicine from the Israeli Ministry of Health.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that Dr. Shepshelovich’s Israeli license be endorsed, and his ECFMG Certification and Specialty certification 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, Ramat Aviv, Israel, Doctor of Medicine, June 2006
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) ECFMG Certification USMLE 1 and 2
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3) (a) two years of accredited training

	(b) Residency in Internal Medicine at Rabin Medical Center in Tel Aviv, Israel from October 2009 through December 2013.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Israeli License-37087 issued August 2005
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) (a) Passed Phase A (June 2012) and B (November 2012) of Internal Medicine Board Exams (b) Specialist in Internal Medicine – Israel Ministry of Health January 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**

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>24-07-60C</u> Sruthi Babu Stony Brook, NY 11790	(1) JSS Medical College, Mysuru, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 03/24/2007 (2) License # 325737, Issued 08/28/2023
<u>24-08-60C</u> Oshin Bansode East Meadow, NY 11554	(1) Kakatiya Medical College, Osmania University, Warangal, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 09/18/2019 (2) License # 324120, Issued 06/15/2023
<u>24-09-60C</u> David Graham The Villages, FL 33585	(1) University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, U.K., Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 07/21/1972 (2) License # 154056, Issued 05/06/1983
<u>24-10-60C</u> Muhammad Habib Minoa, NY 13116	(1) Shifa College of Medicine, Islamabad, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/19/2007 (2) License # 326209, Issued 10/02/2023
<u>24-11-60C</u> Mohamed Ismail Aly Boston, MA 02467	(1) Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 05/01/1996 (2) License # 326279, Issued 10/06/2023
<u>24-12-60C</u> Hyun Joo Park Seoul Korea, 02028	(1) Eulji University, Daejeon, Republic of Korea, Bachelor of Medicine, 04/26/2016 (2) License # 326445, Issued 10/24/2023
<u>24-13-60C</u> Nikhil Patankar Cary, NC 27519	(1) Grant Medical College, Mumbai, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 05/12/2005

	(2) License # 326557, Issued 11/06/2023
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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