


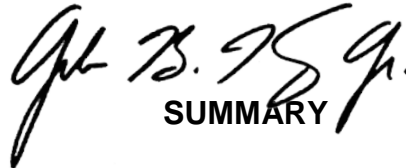


**THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE  
OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234**

**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:** June 10, 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 June 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 3 licensing petitions and 18 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 June 18, 2013.

**Cases Presented to Board of Regents on June 18, 2013**

**SUMMARY REPORT**

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Experience	Confer Degree Doctor of Medicine	Three-Year Limited License
	Pre-Professional	Professional	Post-Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing			
Optometry					13-04-56			
\ Medicine						13-52-60	13-107-60C To 13-124-60C	
Dentistry						13-08-50		
OTHER						<b>Total for fiscal year to date: 91</b> <b>Total for calendar year to date: 147</b>		

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**OPTOMETRY**

13-04-56

Marc Tescher  
Miami, Florida 33162

(University of Houston, Houston, Texas, Doctor of Optometry, May 1992)

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

Statement of Problem: Dr. Tescher 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. Tescher was first licensed in Florida in 1992. Instead, Florida required its own practical exam, which Dr. Tescher passed.

Additionally, Dr. Tescher has documented over 20 years of licensed experience in Florida.

Based on Dr. Tescher's demonstration of clinical skills by passing Florida's exam and 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.

<b>APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:</b>	<b>QUALIFICATIONS:</b>
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) University of Houston, Houston, Texas, Doctor of Optometry, May 1992.
(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) Basic Science part, April 1990 and Clinical Science part, April 1991.  (2)(b) Licensed in Florida, October 1992; over 20 years of professional practice.
(3) Acceptable scores on a satisfactory practical examination.	(3) See Statement of Problem.
(4) Evidence of good moral character.	(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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### DENTISTRY

13-08-50

Roderick Stewart

Williamsville, New York 14221

(University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Doctor of Dental Surgery, June 1983)

Petition for: Waiver of the one-year residency experience requirement for dental licensure.

Statement of Problem: Education Law (E.L.) § 6506(5) provides that in supervising the admission to and the practice of the professions, the Board of Regents may waive education, experience and examination 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.

Dr. Roderick Stewart is applying for an unrestricted dental license. He meets the educational requirements for licensure as outlined in E.L. §6604(2); Dr. Stewart graduated from a program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada, which, by reciprocal agreement, is recognized by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

The experience requirement of E.L. §6604(3) reads as follows: "have experience satisfactory to the board and in accordance with the commissioner's regulations, provided that such experience shall consist of satisfactory completion of a clinically-based postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program, of at least one year's duration, in a hospital or dental facility accredited for teaching purposes by a national accrediting body approved by the department, provided, further that any such residency program shall include a formal outcome assessment evaluation of the resident's competence to practice dentistry acceptable to the department." In particular, it should be noted that clinical dental experience with the US military that is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) qualifies as an accredited residency program acceptable to the Department.

From December 1979 to June 1987, Dr. Stewart was with the Canadian Forces Dental Services School (CFDSS). He is requesting that the department consider his clinical dental experience with the Canadian military as substantially equivalent to an acceptable, CODA accredited residency through the US military. Major Michael Pilon, DDS, one of the commanding officers while Dr. Stewart was serving with the CFDSS, reviewed the residency program requirements for dental licensure outlined in section 61.18 of the Commissioner's Regulations and attests that the four-year (1983-1987) Dental Officer Training Program (DOTP) satisfies all elements of the regulation.

Furthermore, Dr. Stewart has been continuously licensed as a member of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario since 1985. He is also a Diplomate of the

American Board of Oral Implantology and a Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry.

Based on the similarity of Dr. Stewart's Canadian military experience to the New York State residency requirements, his additional specialty qualifications, and his nearly 30 years of licensed practice in Ontario, Canada, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Dentistry supports Dr. Stewart's petition to waive the experience requirement pursuant to §6604 on the basis that the requirement has been substantially met.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 6604 of the Education Law and Part 61 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) Three years of pre-professional education at the University of Toronto in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, from September 1976 to April 1979.
(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2) Four years of acceptable professional dental education culminating in the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, June 1983.
(3) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(3) Passing scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.
(4) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.	(4) See Statement of Problem.
(5) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.	(5) Alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.
(6) Evidence of 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 petition to waive the experience requirement pursuant to §6604 be accepted.

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### MEDICINE

13-52-60

Maria Cordisco

New York, New York 13607

(Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de Medicina, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Physician, June 1973)

Petition for: Endorsement of her medical license from Argentina.

Statement of Problem: Commissioner's Regulations allow for endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and if the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination (USMLE). A license granted in a country outside the United States 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 (ECFMG), 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 of Dr. Cordisco's training in Argentina and recommends that her over nine years of experience be accepted as the substantial equivalent of the required three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training.

Commissioner's Regulations also allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses to fulfill the licensure requirements and diplomate certificates obtained on the basis of satisfying experience and examination requirements to fulfill the proficiency and clinical competency requirements for licensure by endorsement.

Dr. Cordisco obtained her medical license in Argentina in 1973. Her license is active and in good standing. Dr. Cordisco further obtained certification as a Specialist in Pediatrics from the Ministry of Health of Argentina in July 1979 and certification as a Specialist in Dermatology in November 1982.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the additional qualifications presented by Dr. Cordisco and recommends that her Argentinean license be endorsed and that her specialty certifications in Dermatology and Pediatrics be considered to fulfill the proficiency examination and 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) Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de Medicina, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Physician, June 1973.
(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) Certification as a Specialist in Dermatology by the Ministry of Health of Argentina, November 1982.
(3) Three years of approved postgraduate hospital training.	(3)(a) Residency in Pediatrics from May 1973 to February 1974 at Policlínico "Profesor Alejandro Posades" in Buenos Aires, Argentina.  (3)(b) Fellowship in Pediatrics from March 1974 to September 1977 at Hospital T. de Alvear in Buenos Aires, Argentina.  (3)(c) Fellowship in Dermatology from November 1977 to March 1983 at Hospital de Niños Ricardo Gutiérrez in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
(4) Appropriate medical license or certificate.	(4) Medical license, Ministry of Health of Argentina, November 1973.
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical competency examination acceptable to the Department.	(5) Certification as a Specialist in Pediatrics by the Ministry of Health of Argentina, July 1979.
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory professional experience.	(6) Over 25 years of satisfactory professional experience.
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(7) Alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8) Good moral character.
(9) Course in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.	(9) Certificate of Completion of coursework in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.

**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.

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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>13-107-60C</u> Adnan Ahmed Queens Village, NY 11428	(1) Baqai Medical College, Sindh, Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 5/14/02. (2) License #265492, issued on 06/8/12.
<u>13-108-60C</u> Matthew Apedo Hopewell Junction, NY 12533	(1) University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 10/1/90. (2) License #217122, issued on 4/6/00.
<u>13-109-60C</u> Girish Balachandran-Nair Mineola, NY 11501	(1) Kerala University, Kerala, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/22/04. (2) License #269367, issued on 3/26/13.
<u>13-110-60C</u> Ganapathi Baskar Floral Park, NY 11004	(1) Madras Medical College, Madras, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 9/20/86. (2) License #218878, issued on 8/15/00.
<u>13-111-60C</u> Bikash Bhattarai Brooklyn, NY 11238	(1) Nepal Medical College, Katmandu, Nepal, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 9/17/06. (2) License #268938, issued on 3/1/13.

<p><u>13-112-60C</u> Bryan Doherty New York, NY 10019</p>	<p>(1) Royal College of Physicians &amp; Surgeons, Dublin, Ireland, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 5/31/07. (2) License #269573, issued on 4/5/13.</p>
<p><u>13-113-60C</u> Berton Forman Lido Beach, NY 11561</p>	<p>(1) Autonomous University Ciudad Juarez, Juarez, Mexico, Physician &amp; Surgeon, 6/1/79. (2) License #148181, issued on 10/30/81.</p>
<p><u>13-114-60C</u> Mie Han Brooklyn, NY 11223</p>	<p>(1) Institute of Medicine I, Yangon, Myanmar (Burma), Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/26/05. (2) License #262391, issued on 7/25/11.</p>
<p><u>13-115-60C</u> Archana Kathpul Liverpool, NY 13088</p>	<p>(1) Baba Farid University of Health, Punjab, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 5/5/04. (2) License #269107, issued on 3/8/13.</p>
<p><u>13-116-60C</u> Priyanka Kaul Syracuse, NY 13203</p>	<p>(1) Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/25/06. (2) License #266878, issued on 9/25/12.</p>
<p><u>13-117-60C</u> Parveen Kumar Towanda, PA 18840</p>	<p>(1) PT BD Sharma Postgraduate Institute of Medical Science (PGIMS)-Rohtak, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/1/06. (2) License #268250, issued on 1/9/13.</p>
<p><u>13-118-60C</u> Tarun Kumar Liverpool, NY 13088</p>	<p>(1) Kasturba Medical College, Karnataka, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/25/04. (2) License #269687, issued on 4/15/13.</p>
<p><u>13-119-60C</u> Razia Rehmani New York, NY 10021</p>	<p>(1) Kasturba Medical College, Karnataka, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 10/31/02. (2) License #269055, issued on 3/5/13.</p>
<p><u>13-120-60C</u> Manoj Singh New York, NY 10029</p>	<p>(1) Lokmanya Tilak Municipal College/Hospital, Mumbai, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 12/20/02. (2) License #269113, issued on 3/8/13.</p>
<p><u>13-121-60C</u> Kyaw Wai Jamesville, NY 13078</p>	<p>(1) Institute of Medicine I, Yangon, Burma (Myanmar), Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/14/98. (2) License #240593, issued on 6/16/06.</p>

<u>13-122-60C</u> Chunying Xu Albany, NY 12203	(1) Jilin Medical College, Jilin, People's Republic of China, Bachelor of Medicine, 7/7/1988. (2) License #265644, issued on 6/27/12.
<u>13-123-60C</u> Rajeev Yalamanchili Jamesville, NY 13078	(1) Kasturba Medical College, Karnataka, India Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 2/17/93. (2) License #003334, issued on 6/2/09.
<u>13-124-60C</u> Amit Sharma West Islip, NY 11795	(1) All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 4/30/99. (2) License #261853, issued on 6/17/11.

**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.