

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

TO:

FROM:

The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

Douglas E. Lentivech

SUBJECT:

Report of the Committee on the Professions Regarding Licensing Petitions

DATE:

AUTHORIZATION(S):

July 2, 2014

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 July 2014 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 4 licensing petitions and 17 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 July 11, 2014.

Cases Presented to Board of Regents on July 11, 2014 SUMMARY REPORT EDUCATION **EXAMINATION** PROFESSION Experience Confer Degree Three-Year Pre-Post-Doctor of Limited Professional Professional Graduate Proficiency Licensing Medicine License CPA 14-05-07 to 14-06-07 Dentistry 14-11-14 to 14-12-14 Medicine 14-118-60C to 14-134-60C OTHER : Total for fiscal year to date: 114 Total for calendar year to date: 155

Board of Regents: July 11, 2014

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

<u>14-05-07</u> Jayson Gutierrez North Bergen, New Jersey

<u>Petition for</u>: Acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform Certified Public Accountancy Examination.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Jayson Gutierrez, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, he exceeded the 18-month time conditioning period in which to complete the examination requirements by two months.

Mr. Gutierrez received conditional credit for passing the Auditing and Attestation (AUD) section of the Examination on his second attempt in May 2012. Under the 18month conditioning requirements, he needed to pass the remaining three sections by December 2013 in order to retain credit for AUD.

Mr. Gutierrez sat for, and passed, the Regulation (REG) section on his first attempt in August 2012. He passed the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section on his first attempt in July 2013. He sat for, and failed, the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section of the exam three times before passing it in on his fourth attempt in February 2014, two months after he lost conditional credit for AUD.

Mr. Gutierrez's ability to effectively prepare for, and sit for, the exam was significantly compromised during the conditioning period due to documented family medical needs and the impacts of Superstorm Sandy. Mr. Gutierrez did continue to sit for the remaining sections of the exam during this period, but was not able to prepare or focus effectively enough to pass, due to the stress and demands of his family situation.

Based on the documentation provided and Mr. Gutierrez's success on all four parts of the Examination, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy supports his petition to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
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)

(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2)(a) May 2012 Auditing and Attestation (passing score).
	(2)(b) August 2012: Regulation (passing score).
	(2)(c) July 2013: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score).
	(2)(d) February 2014: Financial Accounting and Reporting (passing score).
(3) Two years of satisfactory experience.	(3)

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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

<u>14-06-07</u> Jenny Tsang Brooklyn, New York

<u>Petition for</u>: Acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform Certified Public Accountancy Examination.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Jenny Tsang, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, she exceeded the 18-month time conditioning period in which to complete the examination requirements by two months.

Ms. Tsang received conditional credit for passing the Regulation (REG) section of the Examination on her first attempt in February 2012. Under the 18-month conditioning requirements, she needed to pass the remaining three sections by September 2013 in order to retain credit for REG.

Ms. Tsang sat for, and failed, the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section twice before passing on her third attempt in December 2012. She sat for, and failed, the Auditing and Attestation (AUD) section twice before passing on her third attempt in July 2013. She sat for, and failed, the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section of the exam once before passing it in on her second attempt in November 2013, two months after she lost conditional credit for REG.

Ms. Tsang's ability to effectively prepare for, and sit for, the exam was significantly compromised during the conditioning period due to a documented personal loss. Ms. Tsang scheduled to sit for the remaining section during this period, but was not able to prepare or focus effectively enough to take the exam, due to the stress of her family situation. She scheduled to sit for, and passed, the final section in the next available testing window.

Based on the documentation provided and Ms. Tsang's success on all four parts of the Examination, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy supports her petition to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
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)

(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2)(a) February 2012 Regulation (passing score).
	(2)(b) December 2012: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score).
	(2)(c) July 2013: Auditing and Attestation (passing score).
	(2)(d) November 2013: Financial Accounting and Reporting (passing score).
(3) Two years of satisfactory experience.	(3)

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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.

DENTISTRY

<u>14-11-50</u> Sergio Arias Augusta, Georgia

(Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre y Maestra, Santiago, Dominican Republic, Doctor en Estomatologia, June 2002)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Regulations of the Commissioner require an applicant for licensure in dentistry to complete an acceptable pre-professional 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 pre-professional and professional education.

Dr. Arias completed a five-year combined pre-professional and professional dental education program at Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre y Maestra, Facultad de Ciencias de la Salud, in Santiago, Dominican Republic. Therefore, he lacks one year of education which is in the pre-professional area.

However, Dr. Arias has also completed a one-year Fellowship in Advanced Esthetic Dentistry from July 2013 through June 2014 at Georgia Regents University, College of Dental Medicine, in Augusta, Georgia. The State Board for Dentistry recommends that these studies be considered to fulfill the remaining one year of required pre-professional 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. Arias completed two years of American Dental Association (ADA) accredited General Practice Residency (GPR) at St. Elizabeth Health Center in Youngstown, Ohio from September 2006 through October 2008. The State Board for Dentistry recommends that his GPR program be considered 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 requires:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) See qualification #2.

(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2)(a) Five years of acceptable pre- professional and professional dental education culminating in the title of Doctor en Estomatologia, Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre y Maestra, Santiago, Dominican Republic, June 2002.
	(2)(b) One-year Fellowship in Advanced Esthetic Dentistry, Georgia Regents University, College of Dental Medicine, Augusta, Georgia, July 2013 through June 2014.
(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 years of ADA accredited GPR at St. Elizabeth Health Center, Youngstown, Ohio, September 2006 through October 2008.
(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.
(5) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.	(5) Advanced Dental Education Program in Prosthodontics, Georgia Regents University, College of Dental Medicine, Augusta, Georgia, July 2010 through June 2013.
(6) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.	(6) United States Citizen.
(7) Evidence of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.	(7) Completion of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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

<u>14-12-50</u> Guillermo Zapata Stamford, Connecticut

(Universidad Francisco Marroquin, Facultad de Odontologia, Guatemala, Guatemala, Cirujano Dentista en el Grado de Licenciado, December 2006)

Petition for: Acceptance of education.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: 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.

Following dental school in Guatemala, Dr. Zapata completed a two-year Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) program from July 2007 through June 2009 and a one-year Fellowship in General Dentistry from July 2009 through June 2010 at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine. The AEGD program offered by the University of Connecticut is accredited by the American Dental Association. Dr. Eric Ruiz, Director of Advanced Education in General Dentistry at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Dentistry at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine, Confirmed that Dr. Zapata successfully completed a total of three years of advanced education that included subject matter necessary to achieve the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of the University of Connecticut.

The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Dentistry recommends that Dr. Zapata's completion of the two-year AEGD program and one-year clinical fellowship at University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine be considered 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 requires:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) See qualification #2
(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2) Seven years of acceptable pre- professional and professional dental education culminating in the Cirujano Dentista en el Grado de Licenciado, Universidad Francisco Marroquin,

	Facultad de Odontologia, Guatemala, Guatemala, from January 2000 to December 2006.
(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	(3) (a) Two year Advanced Education in General Dentistry program, University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine, Farmington, Connecticut, July 2007 through June 2009.
expected of a graduate of that school.	(3)(b) One year Fellowship in General Dentistry, University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine, Farmington, Connecticut, July 2009 through June 2010.
(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.
(5) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.	 (5) Three-year residency program in Prosthodontics, University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine, Farmington, Connecticut, July 2010 through June 2013.
(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)

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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.

MEDICINE

<u>Petition for</u>: Conferral of the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) pursuant to Section 6529 of the Education Law.

<u>Summary Statement</u>: 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>14-118-60C</u>	(1) Rawalpindi Medical College,
Sadia Abbasi	Rawalpindi, Pakistan, Bachelor of
Plainview, NY 11803	Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery,
	12/24/03.
	(2) License #255933, issued on 1/13/10.
<u>14-119-60C</u>	(1) Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore,
Shaifali Dugar	India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Williston Park, NY 11596	of Surgery, 3/17/04.
	(2) License #270125, issued on 5/08/13.
<u>14-120-60C</u>	(1) University of Cologne, Koeln,
Dirk Eggert-Doktor	Germany, Art Ex, 11/12/02.
New York, NY 10002	(2) License #275118, issued on 5/16/14.
<u>14-121-60C</u>	(1) Royal College of Physicians and
Harry Greditzer	Surgeons, Dublin, Ireland, Bachelor of
Surfside, FL 33154	Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, 6/4/09.
	(2) License #274799, issued on 4/24/14.
<u>14-122-60C</u>	(1) Aga Khan University, Karachi,
Javad Hashmi	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine,
Syracuse, NY 13215	Bachelor of Surgery, 12/12/09.
	(2) License #273212, issued on 12/13/13.
<u>14-123-60C</u>	(1) Al-Nahrain University, Baghdad, Iraq,
Yaser Hussein	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of
New York, NY 10069	Surgery, 7/11/04.
	(2) License #264774, issued on 4/02/12.

14-124-60C	(1) University of Alexandria, Alexandria,
Samy Ibrahim	Egypt, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Roslyn, NY 11576	of Surgery, 8/1/78.
	(2) License #157154, issued on 1/16/84.
<u>14-125-60C</u>	(1) Aga Khan University, Karachi,
Muhammad Khalid	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine,
Troy, MI 48084	Bachelor of Surgery, 11/13/99.
	(2) License #274850, issued on 4/29/14.
<u>14-126-60C</u>	(1) Guadalajara Autonomous University,
Craig Lazar	Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician and
New York, NY 10016	Surgeon, 12/8/84.
	(2) License #173669, issued on 2/19/88.
<u>14-127-60C</u>	(1) Institute of Medicine 1, Yangon,
Khin Lwin	Myanmar, Bachelor of Medicine,
Franklin Square, NY 11010	Bachelor of Surgery, 12/11/82.
	(2) License #271424, issued on 7/15/13.
<u>14-128-60C</u>	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara,
Omid Nikrouz	Zapopan, Mexico, Physician and
Paramus, NJ 07652	Surgeon, 6/15/07.
	(2) License #263282, issued on 10/18/11.
<u>14-129-60C</u>	(1) Christian Medical College, Ludhiana,
Navpriya Oberoi	India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Jamesville, NY 13078	of Surgery, 3/14/01.
44 400 000	(2) License #264884, issued on 4/12/12.
<u>14-130-60C</u>	(1) BJ Medical College, Pune, India,
Gagangeet Sandhu	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of
New York, NY 10019	Surgery, 1/6/03.
44 404 000	(2) License # 268114, issued on 12/21/12.
14-131-60C	(1) Sardar Patel Medical College, Bikaner,
Sandhya Shukla Cheektowaga, NY 14227	India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Cheeklowaga, NY 14227	of Surgery, 6/15/07.
14-132-60C	(2) License #270216, issued on 5/16/13.(1) Lady Hardinge Medical College
Jasmeet Singh	Hospital, New Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery,
New York, NY 10017	2/25/06.
	(2) License #257798, issued on 7/8/10.
<u>14-133-60C</u>	(1) Sindh Medical College, Karachi,
Faisal Waseem	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine,
New Hyde Park, NY 11040	Bachelor of Surgery, 11/25/90.
	(2) License #209391, issued on 1/27/98.
<u>14-134-60C</u>	(1) Fourth Military Medical University,
Jingduan Yang	Xi'an, People's Republic of China,
New York, NY 10019	Bachelor of Medicine, 7/25/84.
	(2) License #243914, issued on 4/23/07.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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.