



Course 108: Medical Licensing & Credentialing

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What is **Medical Licensing**?

A medical license is an **occupational license** that permits a person to legally practice medicine.

Licenses are not granted automatically to all people with medical degrees.

Provider Types : Does it matter?

- All provider types practicing medicine, whether enumerated or not generally require an in-state license to practice.
- * Each state regulates their own license types and requirements.

Different Types of Applications

1. Initial
2. Endorsement
3. Reciprocity
4. UA
5. Multi-State/Compact Licensure

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1 Initial

Initial application would apply when a state does not offer reciprocity or endorsements, or if a provider is fresh out of school.

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2 Endorsement

Endorsement is using your active **license** in another state, or board approved exam scores, to obtain a **license**.

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3 Reciprocity

- Since professional licensure is generally regulated at the state level, it is usually necessary to obtain a separate license for each state in which one wishes to practice.
- Reciprocity agreements are in place to make it easier for someone who already holds a license in one state to obtain a license in another state



4 FCVS/UA

- Federal Credentials Verification Service
- Lifetime repository of verified core credentials
- UA-**UNIFORM APPLICATION**
- **Simplifying the Licensure Process for State Boards**
- The Uniform Application for Licensure is a web-based application designed to enhance the nation's state-based licensure system. The UA improves license portability by eliminating the need for physicians, physician assistants (PAs) and resident applicants to re-enter information when applying for licenses in multiple states.



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Multi State/Compact Licensure

IMLC-Interstate Medical License Compact

The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact is an agreement among participating U.S. states to work together to significantly streamline the licensing process for physicians who want to practice in multiple states. It offers a voluntary, expedited pathway to licensure for physicians who qualify. This applies to MD's.

There are multiple compact state license agencies for different provider types.

- Nursing
- Psychology
- Dietitians
- Physical and Occupational Therapists, etc

Tools that make licensing easier

- FCVS or Similar Verification data bases
- Accurate and updated CV
- Peer Reference information
- Education Information
- Responsive providers/ provider contacts



Disclosures

- Malpractice
- Criminal
- Licensing
- Reprimands
- Sanctions
- Disciplinary actions
- Education or training issues

Requirements

- Requirements vary state, application, and provider type.
- When requirements have been met, the application will be reviewed and sent to state board meeting for final approval and issuance of license.
- State Board meetings vary by State and Licensure type



Questions?

