

CHAPTER 35

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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Chapter 35, Board of Medical Examiners, was repealed and Chapter 35, Board of Medical Examiners, was adopted as new rules by R.1983 d.314, effective August 1, 1983. See: 15 N.J.R. 503(a), 15 N.J.R. 1255(a).

Subchapter 7, Chiropractic Practice, was adopted as R.1984 d.533, effective November 19, 1984. See: 16 N.J.R. 686(a), 16 N.J.R. 3208(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 35, Board of Medical Examiners, was readopted as R.1989 d.532, effective September 21, 1989. See: 21 N.J.R. 2226(b), 21 N.J.R. 3307(a).

Subchapter 6A, Declarations of Death upon the Basis of Neurological Criteria, was adopted as R.1992 d.309, effective August 3, 1992. See: 23 N.J.R. 3635(a), 24 N.J.R. 2731(c).

Subchapter 2A, Limited Licenses: Certified Nurse Midwifery, was adopted as R.1992 d.332, effective Subchapter 8, 1992. See: 23 N.J.R. 3632(a), 24 N.J.R. 3094(a).

Subchapter 9, Acupuncture, was adopted as R.1993 d.299, effective June 21, 1993. See: 24 N.J.R. 4013(a), 25 N.J.R. 2689(c).

Subchapter 10, Athletic Trainers, was adopted as R.1993 d.546, effective November 1, 1993. See: 25 N.J.R. 265(a), 25 N.J.R. 4935(a), 26 N.J.R. 483(a).

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Subchapter 2B, Limited Licenses: Physician Assistants, was adopted as R.1994 d.538, effective November 7, 1994. See: 25 N.J.R. 5099(b), 26 N.J.R. 4411(b).

Subchapter 11, Alternate Resolution Program, was adopted as R.1995 d.339, effective June 19, 1995. See: 27 N.J.R. 1363(a), 27 N.J.R. 2412(a).

Subchapter 7, Prescription, Administration and Dispensing of Drugs, was adopted as R.1997 d.475, effective November 3, 1997. See: 29 N.J.R. 842(a), 29 N.J.R. 4706(a).

Subchapter 4A, Surgery, Special Procedures, and Anesthesia Services Performed in an Office Setting, was adopted as R.1998 d.294, effective June 15, 1998. See: 29 N.J.R. 2238(a), 30 N.J.R. 2236(b).

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SUBCHAPTER 1. MEDICAL SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, EXTERNSHIPS, CLERKSHIPS AND POST-GRADUATE WORK**13:35-1.1 Observership program**

(a) "Observer" shall mean an undergraduate medical student of an allopathic or osteopathic school accredited either by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association or a foreign medical school listed in the World Health Organization Directory and whose graduates are accepted by the New Jersey Board

of Medical Examiners as eligible to sit for the licensure examination. Observerships are limited to the student's vacation period in an extra-curricular professional experience as delineated in this section.

(b) An observership program shall be limited to:

1. Observation of operative procedures;
2. The taking of histories;
3. The performance of physical examinations;
4. The performance of non-invasive procedures under the direct supervision of and in the immediate presence of the supervising licensed physician; and
5. The participation in patient rounds and other organized patient care activities of the supervising physician.

(c) At no time shall the observer be delegated any responsibility for the care of the patient, the patient's diagnosis or any aspect of the patient's treatment, including the prescription of medication for the patient. An observer shall make no entries on the patient's permanent record.

(d) The observer shall at all times of patient contact wear an identifying badge inscribed "Medical Student."

(e) Prior to commencing participation in an observership program, the student shall have obtained written permission from the Chief of Staff and the Administration of the participating hospital and shall retain such letter.

(f) Under no circumstances shall the performance of any of the duties listed in (b) above by an observer, while engaged in such a program, be construed as the practice of medicine.

(g) The time spent in an observership program shall not be considered as part of or credited toward fulfillment of any statutory academic or clinical requirements for licensure.

Amended by R.1999 d.356, effective October 18, 1999.
See: 31 N.J.R. 1742(a), 31 N.J.R. 3117(a).

Substituted references to observers for references to externs and substituted references to observerships for references to externships throughout; in (a), substituted "delineated in this section" for "hereafter delineated" at the end; and in (f), substituted "duties listed in (b) above" for "above duties" following "any of the".

13:35-1.2 Fifth Pathway

(a) The Board shall accept application for licensure from an applicant who does not meet the usual statutory prerequisites for educational background, in the following circumstances to be known as the Fifth Pathway:

1. The applicant has completed the entirety of the academic curriculum in residence at a medical school in a foreign country located outside of the United States, Puerto Rico or Canada or in a school-authorized clinical training program;

2. The medical school was approved throughout the applicant's period of education by the government of the country of domicile to confer the degree of Doctor of Medicine and Surgery or its equivalent, and was listed in the World Health Organization Directory;

3. The applicant has satisfactorily completed all the requirements for a matriculated student of that foreign medical school to receive a diploma, except for internship and/or social service;

4. The applicant has achieved a passing score on a screening examination acceptable to the Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) even though not eligible for ECFMG certification; and

5. The applicant has had his or her academic record reviewed and approved by a medical school approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, which school has accepted the applicant in a one-academic-year program of supervised clinical training under its direction, and the applicant has satisfactorily completed that program as evidenced by receipt of a certificate issued by the sponsoring medical school.

(b) The applicant meeting the requirements in (a) shall thereafter be deemed by the Board to be eligible to enter a graduate training program approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA). Upon satisfactory completion of the three years of post-graduate training required by N.J.A.C. 13:35-3.11, the applicant may apply for licensure in this State.

Amended by R.1989 d.532, effective October 16, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2226(b), 21 N.J.R. 3307(a).

Rule deleted and replaced with new text.

13:35-1.3 Postgraduate training

Postgraduate training shall be taken under the auspices of a hospital or hospitals accredited for such training by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) or by the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA), as applicable to the profession. The program shall further be acceptable to the Board, which shall take into account the standards adopted by the Advisory Graduate Medical Education Council (AGMEC).

Amended by R.1989 d.532, effective October 16, 1989.

See: 21 N.J.R. 2226(b), 21 N.J.R. 3307(a).

Rule deleted and replaced with new text.

Case Notes

Reasonable regulation of advertising. Att'y Gen. Form Op. No. 20 (1977).

2. Where compensation has been paid to a testimonial giver, the fact of such compensation shall be conspicuously disclosed in a legible and readable manner in any advertisement in the following language: "COMPENSATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED FOR THIS TESTIMONIAL."

3. A licensee who advertises through the use of testimonials shall maintain documentation relating to such testimonials for a period of three years from the date of the last use of the testimonial. Such documentation shall include, at a minimum, the name, address and telephone number of the individual in the advertisement, the type and amount or value of compensation.

4. The testimonial shall not guarantee any specific results from any treatment.

13:35-12.22 Fee schedule

(a) The following fees shall be charged by the Committee:

- 1. Application fee:
 - i. Electrologist\$100.00
 - ii. Electrology instructor\$ 75.00
 - iii. Office premises\$200.00
- 2. Initial license fee:

- i. Electrologist:
 - (1) First year of the biennial period\$200.00
 - (2) Second year of the biennial period\$100.00
- ii. Electrology Instructor:
 - (1) First year of the biennial period\$100.00
 - (2) Second year of the biennial period\$ 50.00
- iii. Office premises:
 - (1) First year of the biennial period\$350.00
 - (2) Second year of the biennial period\$175.00
- 3. Biennial license renewal fee:
 - i. Electrologist\$200.00
 - ii. Electrology instructor\$100.00
 - iii. Office premises\$350.00
- 4. Duplicate license\$ 25.00
- 5. Duplicate wall certificate\$ 40.00
- 6. Reinstatement fee\$150.00
- 7. Late fee\$ 50.00
- 8. Jurisprudence examination\$ 50.00
- 9. Comity license\$ 75.00
- 10. Continuing education sponsor fee\$100.00
- 11. License verification fee\$ 40.00
- 12. Inactive license fee(Reserved)