

Application to the OMBC for Initial Medical Licensure

Step-by-Step Guide for Out of State Residents

NOTE: The following guide applies to osteopathic medical school graduates that have matched into a California program **who has completed prior training outside of California:**

- California requires that graduates of osteopathic medical schools complete **12 months** of AOA or ACGME accredited postgraduate training to qualify for the CA medical license.
- Upon renewing your initial license, you must show proof of completing 36 months of postgraduate training and must consist of at least **24-continuous months of training within the same program** of AOA or ACGME accredited postgraduate training.

DO NOT DELAY!

- Anyone who is currently completing ACGME training outside of California and will qualify for the medical license after beginning an ACGME training program in California has **90 days** to obtain a full, unrestricted CA medical license to practice medicine.
- Anyone who has previously completed 36 or more months of ACGME training outside of California must obtain a full, unrestricted CA medical license has **90 days** to starting an ACGME training program in California.
- Individuals may not train at Loma Linda programs using out of state medical licenses.
- You can only obtain a DEA certificate once your California Medical License is issued. The sooner your license is issued, the sooner you can obtain your DEA certificate, and the sooner you can write orders.

* Your fourth year of ACGME training does not necessarily equate to PGY-4. For example, an individual completing 3 years of family medicine residency outside of California in 2021 and then starts pediatrics at Loma Linda as a PGY-2 in 2022 will need a CA medical license within **90 days** of starting pediatrics.

STEP A

If you have not done so already, submit the following documents **directly to the OMBC** as soon as possible:

- A. Application for PTL ([Form OMB.1](#))
- B. [Live Scan Fingerprinting Form](#)
- C. Photocopy of Medical School Diploma
- D. Certificate of Completion of ACGME Postgraduate Training Form ([Form OMB.25](#))

Submit the part 1 application fee of **\$200.00** (payable to *Osteopathic Medical Board of California*) directly to the OMBC by mail or [online](#) on BreeZe.

Form OMB.1

Submit Application by Mail: Form OMB.1 can be downloaded [here](#).

OR

Submit Application Online: Register for [BreeZe](#) Online Services and you **must** by mail to the Board: 1. Signed, notarized [Form OMB.26](#), with your photo attached.

Please Note:

- Complete the forms on your PC and print the completed forms to ensure legibility. The application must be notarized.
- Page 1 #14: Be sure to enter an email address you check frequently for correspondences from the Board.
- Page 4 #23-30: Please consult with GME Office if you are unsure how to answer.
- You need three identical 2x2 inch passport size photos for your PTL application.:
 - Affixed to page 6 of Form OMB.1
 - Affixed to page 1 of Form OMB.25
 - One loose photo sent with Form OMB.1

Live Scan Fingerprints

The Live Scan fingerprinting form can be downloaded [here](#).

[Find a Live Scan Location](#)

The Live Scan Operator will complete the Live Scan form and keep one copy. Submit the second copy to the OMBC along with your application. The third copy is for you to keep for your records.

*If applicable: Applicants residing outside California must use the manual fingerprint card process. Contact OMBC at (916) 928- 8390 OR e-mail osteopathic@dca.ca.gov to request and obtain fingerprint cards. **Results from the manual process can take up to 16 weeks.***

Medical School Transcript and Diploma

- Request your medical school to send an **official** paper copy of your transcript
- Submit a photocopy of your medical school diploma along with Form OMB.21.
- If you're not sure who to contact for the official paper copy of your transcript, start with the Registrar's Office.

Form OMB.25

- [Form OMB.25](#): must be completed for each year of postgraduate training (internship, residency, and fellowship) completed, whether or not the entire residency was completed. Complete the personal data at the top of the form and email or fax to your former training program(s). Request that they send the completed forms directly to the OMBC.

STEP B

- Submit an [online request](#) to have your official NBOME scores (Level 1, 2 and 3) sent directly to the OMBC.
- Wait until you have passed Level 3, but...
- Do not wait to initiate the license application process if you have not sat for Level 3. Apply now and send the scores later.

Application Status

You can check the status of your application [online](#) using the BreeZe Online Services, call 916-928-8390, or [email](#) the Board.