

Information for International Physicians

Medical Board Special Programs

The California Medical Board Division of Licensing administers special programs (Sections 2111, 2113, and 2168) for international medical graduates who seek postgraduate training or are being recruited as faculty members in an approved California medical school.

- **Section 2111:** The intent of the Section 2111 program is to provide a clinical experience for an internationally trained physician who will then return to his/her country of origin to provide improved or enhanced medical care. This clinical fellowship training does not meet postgraduate training requirements needed for medical licensure in California.

If the internationally trained physician holds a J1 Research Scholar Visa, the clinical experience must be limited to incidental patient contact (ie, less than 20% time) and no invasive procedures may be performed.

- **Section 2113:** The Section 2113 program is for international medical graduates or physicians licensed in another state who will undertake clinical and teaching responsibilities, as a faculty member at a California medical school. The program is designed to allow California medical schools to recruit qualified international graduates with specific expertise who are not yet eligible for medical licensure in California.
- **Section 2168:** The Section 2168 program is for international medical graduates or physicians licensed in another state who are academically eminent, hold or has been offered a full time appointment at the level of full professor or associate professor, is clearly outstanding in a specific field of medicine or surgery, and a great need exists to fill the position.

California Business and Professions Code

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

SECTION	2111	2113	2168
<u>SUMMARY</u>	Postgraduate study in approved CA Med School for foreign trained MD w/ current valid med license in other state or country. Is not yet eligible for a CA license.	Full-time faculty position for foreign trained MD w/ current valid medical license in other state or country. Is not yet eligible for a CA license.	Full-time faculty position for foreign trained MD w/ current valid med license in other state/ country. Not yet eligible for CA license. Academically "eminent" tenured full professor who is outstanding in field and great need exists to fill position.
I. OBJECTIVE:			
A. Position	Trainee	Full-Time Faculty	Full- Time Faculty (After 1 st renewal, can be employed Part-Time)
B. Title	Visiting Fellow	Visiting Professor (any rank)	Either Full or Associate Professor
C. Series	N/A	No restriction	A. Line (FT, Tenure Track) B. Full or Associate Professor (FT)
D. Credit toward CA Post-Graduate Training	No	Yes	No
E. Authorization	Training Program- Licensing Exemption	Certificate of Registration	Special Faculty Permit
II. BACKGROUND:			
A. General			
1. U.S. Citizen	No or USFMG	Unspecified	Unspecified
2. Legal Admission to U.S.	Yes	Yes, if not citizen	Yes, if not citizen
B. Medical Qualifications			
1. Foreign			
M.D.	CMB Approved School	CMB Approved School	
Residency	3 years		
2. Qualified for CA License	No	Expected to lead to CA med license	No
3. Other		Required experience: - Licensed to practice for a minimum of 4 years [either practice in US or licensure in foreign country or combination of the two]	1) Academically Eminent: A. Offered Full- Time, Tenure Track position OR B. Clearly outstanding in a discipline for which there is great need for the position and offered Full or Assoc Prof position 2) Valid license elsewhere
III. PROCESS:			
A. Application Form	Yes	Yes	Yes
B. Fee	Yes	Yes	Yes
C. Supporting Letters			
1. Department Chair	- Statement describing recruitment efforts - Proposed Clinical and research activities with list of clinical practice locations	- Statement describing recruitment efforts, proposed clinical and research activities with list of practice locations - Statement describing additional details as requested on application	- Statement describing details as requested on application
2. Dean	Statement requesting licensing exemption	Statement requesting licensing exemption	- Statement describing qualifications and academic eminence. Must demonstrate great need to fill the position. - List of affiliations and justification for clinical activity
IV. APPROVAL:			
Activity	Participate in professional activities of department	Practice medicine as a part of faculty duties	Practice medicine within school and as part of faculty duties
Maximum Duration	3 years	3 years [Provided ECFMG is passed & need is justified, registration can be extended for add'l 2yr period]	Unlimited
Renewal	Annual	Annual	Biennial during birth month
Also	Name tag ID, "Visiting Fellow," must be worn	- Not authorized to admit patients to nursing or skilled living facilities unless formally affiliated with med school - Name tag ID, "Visiting Faculty Member" must be worn	- Approved by SFPR Committee - Can only be department chair or division chief if approved by SFPR committee - Cannot have held a 2113 for 2yrs or more preceding the date of the application