

## DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES

### Colorado Podiatry Board

## RULE 100 - PODIATRY LICENSURE

### 3 CCR 712-1

*[Editor's Notes follow the text of the rules at the end of this CCR Document.]*

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#### 1.1 STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

The basis for the Board's promulgation of rules and regulations is section 12-290-106(1)(a), C.R.S. The specific statutory authority for the promulgation of these rules is sections 12-290-107, 12-290-112, and 12-20-202(4), C.R.S. The purpose for promulgation of the rules is to set forth the requirements of the Colorado Podiatry Board ("Board") for applicants for an initial Colorado podiatry license and for a Colorado podiatry license by endorsement.

#### 1.2 Initial Licensure

An applicant for initial licensure must timely complete a Board approved application form establishing compliance with the following requirements:

- A. Age twenty-one or older;
- B. Graduation from a Board approved podiatry school;
- C. Passage of the written PMLEXIS examination of the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or any successor organization as determined by scores established by the Board;
- D. Passage of the basic sciences examination of the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or any successor organization;
- E. Completion of one-year of residency as set forth in section 12-290-107(1)(c), C.R.S., as used in Section 1.2 of this Rule, "an approved residency" is a residency of at least one year in a hospital conforming to the minimum standards of resident training established by the council on podiatric medical education or any successor organization.
- F. Documentation that the applicant has been enrolled in podiatric medical school or residency or has been engaged in the active practice of podiatry during the two years immediately preceding the date of the current Colorado application, or documentation that the applicant has complied with the requirements of Section 1.2(C) above within the two years immediately preceding the date of the current Colorado application.
- G. As used in Section 1.2 of this Rule, "active practice of podiatry" means the applicant has engaged in the practice of podiatry at least twenty hours per week during the preceding two years with no more than a six month continuous absence from the practice of podiatry.
- H. An applicant who cannot demonstrate continued competency by compliance with the above criteria may demonstrate competence by complying with other evaluation, education, training and/or monitoring the Board may require to establish continued competence. Such requirements shall be at the discretion of the Board.

### **1.3 Licensure by Endorsement**

In lieu of applying for an initial license to practice podiatry in Colorado, applicants who are licensed to practice podiatry in another jurisdiction may apply for licensure by endorsement. An applicant for licensure by endorsement must timely complete a Board approved application form establishing compliance with the following requirements:

- A. Age twenty-one or older;
- B. Graduation from a Board approved podiatry school;
- C. Passage (at the time of licensure in another jurisdiction) of the written PMLEXIS examination of the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or any successor or predecessor organization as determined by scores established by the Board; except that the Board may, on a case-by-case basis, waive the requirement of this Section 1.3(C) of this Rule for applicants for licensure by endorsement who have not passed the PMLEXIS examination, upon the provision of evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant's practice, experience, training, and/or education otherwise constitutes substantially equivalent qualifications.
- D. Passage (at the time of licensure in another jurisdiction) of the basic sciences examination of the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners or any successor or predecessor organization, except that this requirement does not apply to applicants licensed by examination in another jurisdiction prior to 1970;
- E. Compliance with training requirements comparable to those required by the Board (Colorado) at the time of the applicant's original licensure in another jurisdiction;
- F. Possession of a license to practice podiatry in another jurisdiction that has not been revoked, suspended or subject to disciplinary or adverse actions; and
- G. Documentation that the applicant has been engaged in the active practice of podiatry for the two years immediately preceding the date of the current Colorado application.
- H. As used in this Section 1.3 of this Rule, "active practice of podiatry" means the applicant has engaged in the practice of podiatry at least twenty hours per week during the preceding two years with no more than a six month continuous absence from the practice of podiatry; except that where appropriate for applicants for licensure by endorsement the Board may allow the applicant to fulfill the "active practice of podiatry" requirement by other means. It is anticipated that such exceptions shall be rare, and the decision as to what constitutes the active practice of podiatry shall be in the discretion of the Board.
- I. An applicant who cannot demonstrate continued competency by compliance with the above criteria may demonstrate competence by complying with other evaluation, education, training and/or monitoring the Board may require to establish continued competence. Such requirements shall be at the discretion of the Board.

### **1.4 Credit for Military, Education, Training, or Experience**

The purpose for the promulgation of this Rule is to satisfy the requirement of section 12-20-202(4), C.R.S., related to applying military education, training, and experience to qualifications for licensure.

- A. An applicant for licensure may submit information about the applicant's education, training, or experience acquired during military service. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide timely and complete information for the Board's review.

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- B. In order to meet the requirements for licensure, such education, training, or experience must be substantially equivalent to the required qualifications that are otherwise applicable at the time the application is received by the Board.
  - C. The Board will determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether the applicant's military education, training, or experience meet the requirements for licensure.
  - D. Documentation of military experience, education, or training may include, but is not limited to, the applicant's Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD-214), Verification of Military Experience Training (DD-2586), military transcript, training records, evaluation reports, or letters from commanding officers describing the applicant's practice.

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**Editor's Notes**

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