

License by Examination

Anyone seeking to be licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery in Idaho must submit a completed application and documentation that meets the following requirements:

1. Proof of graduation from a medical school approved by the board;
2. Successful completion of a postgraduate training program acceptable to the board;
3. A fingerprint-based criminal history check of the Idaho Central Criminal database and the Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history database

Every applicant must pass an examination approved by the board which shall thoroughly test the applicant's fitness to practice medicine. If an applicant fails to pass the examination on 2 separate occasions, the applicant will not be eligible for re-examination for at least 1 year, and before taking the examination again, the applicant must make a showing to the board of successfully engaging in a course of study for the purpose of improving the applicant's ability to engage in the practice of medicine. Applicants who fail 2 separate examinations in another state, territory, or district of the United States or Canada, must make the same showing of successful completion of a course of study prior to examination for licensure.

Please review the [State Licensure Laws](#) & [State Licensure Rules](#) before submitting an application.