The following checklist is designed to assist applicants in submitting the necessary materials needed during the application process. Delays often occur when applicants fail to provide required information to the Board. The Board’s Licensing Department encourages use of provided checklists for all license types.

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| ☐      | Legal Resident Status                                     | U.S. citizens must submit a photocopy of one of the following: 1) birth certificate 2) valid, unexpired U.S. passport  
Documentation can be emailed to license@ncmedboard.org | |
| ☐      | Name change documentation (if applicable)                | A photocopy of documentation of a legal name change. Example: marriage certificate, divorce decree, etc. Do not submit original documents. This information can be emailed to license@ncmedboard.org |
| ☐      | Verification of Medical Education                         | Form should be sent to your medical school for completion. Your medical school should email the form to license@ncmedboard.org.                                                                       |
| ☐      | Postgraduate training verification                        | Send PGT form to every institution where you have participated in training. Institutions should email the form directly to the NCMB.                                                                  |
| ☐      | Medical School Transcripts                                | Transcripts are required if you attended more than one medical school or more or less than the standard four years.                                                                                       |
| ☐      | Evidence of passing ECFMG exam and completing a 5th pathway program (if applicable) | Foreign medical school graduates must have a current ECFMG. Contact ECFMG to have a “Certification Status Report” sent to the NCMB.  
If you completed a 5th pathway program and a licensing exam other than USMLE, contact ECFMG to have an “ECFMG Examination Score Transcript” sent to the NCMB. Obtain a “Fifth Pathway Verification Form” from the NCMB. Email license@ncmedboard.org to request this form. |
| ☐      | Licensing Examination Transcript                          | Your original licensing examination scores must be sent directly from the original source ie; NBME, Flex, USMLE, NBOME, COMLEX or a state board written examination to the NC Medical Board. This is required of every applicant even if you are speciality board certified. |
**Physician References**

Two recommendation forms must be completed by physicians. Recommendation cannot be from a relative. These forms must be mailed from the reference source directly to the NCMB. Faxes and emailed copies will not be accepted.

**Ten-year rule**

You must submit documentation of 60 hours of Category 1 practice relevant CME obtained in the past three (3) years unless you have done one of the following:

1. You have passed one of the following examinations in the past 10 years
   - USMLE examination.
   - MCCQE examination.
   - National Osteopathic Board of Medical Examiners Examination or COMLEX.
   - SPEX examination with a score of at least 75.
   - COMVEX examination, the Osteopathic examination equivalent to SPEX.
   - Certification or recertification of CAQ by a specialty board recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), American Osteopathic Association (AOA), Certificant of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CCFP), Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Canada (FRCP) and Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada (FRCS).

2. You have participated in a graduate medical education program approved by ACGME, AOA, CFPC or RCPSC in the last 10 years.

**Fingerprint cards, authority to release form and criminal history**

**Applicants outside North Carolina**

Request a set of fingerprint cards to be mailed to you at fpc@ncmedboard.org. You will need to send in the authority to release form and fingerprint cards to the NCMB.

**Applicants in North Carolina**

Live scan is available to those applicants who are in NC. You will need to go to your local law enforcement office to have this completed. You will need to take the Applicant Information form with you. The Electronic Authority to Release form will need to be sent to the NCMB.

The authority to release forms can be emailed to license@ncmedboard.org.

**Interview**

You will be notified if a personal interview will be required.

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**Annual Renewal:** NC law requires licensed physicians to renew with the Board within 30 days of their birthday, every year, no matter when the license is issued. A renewal fee is required.

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